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Local Matters.

The Gallant Twenty-third.

Colonel Rodney C. Ward, commanding officer of the Twenty-third Brooklyn Regiment, arrived in town on Thursday evening, and leaves for New York to-day. On Thursday he was in Providence and called upon His Excellency Governor Wetmore, Adjutant General Dyer and Quartermaster General Dennis, and was pleasantly received by all of those gentlemen, who promised to render any assistance in their power to make the visit of the gallant officer and his command in July agreeable.

Col. Ward, while in Providence, had an interview with young Mr. Gammell, who said that he could not let the regiment have the use of his mother's lot as the house would be occupied. Col. Ward visited several lots yesterday, with a view of engaging one for the use of the regiment, and when he again visits Newport, which will be in the course of a few weeks, he will settle upon the location. Colonel Ward and the officers and members of the Twenty-third Regiment may rest assured that they will receive a hearty welcome from the citizens of Newport.

It is strongly probable that the Twenty-third Regiment will occupy Morton Park for encampment purposes, and the ground of the Westchester Polo Club for parade and drill. While in Providence Thursday, Col. Ward obtained a promise from Governor Wetmore and Adjutant General Dyer of the use of the tents of the State militia, as the Twenty-third could not bring camp equipage with them for the reason that the encampment of the New York State militia commences the latter part of June.

Newport Historical Society.

The regular monthly meeting of this society was held at the rooms on Barney street Tuesday evening, when an able and highly interesting paper upon religion was read by Col. William Gilpin. It was a most complete history of religion from the time when Christ was brought before the Roman tribunal, and showed the author to be fully acquainted with his subject. It was received with a vote of thanks by the society.

Hon. Francis Brinley presided over the meeting and paid a fitting tribute to the late Miss Ellen Townsend, who was the first to contribute toward the purchase of the society's building and who had ever been a sincere friend to the society.

The matter of revising the by-laws of the society was left with the standing committee.

Dr. H. R. Storer presented in behalf of numerous donors a large number of historical articles and pieces of rare coin, and the treasurer reported the donation of $25 from Mr. David King.

Other Generous Donators.

Among the donations to the Aquidneck Fair this week were $50 from J. P. Kernochan, $25 from Mrs. Paran Stevens, a quantity of fancy work from Mrs. Elijah Anthony of Jamestown, Box of Soapine from H. C. Armstrong of Providence, China bric-a-brac and fancy work from Mrs. Gov. Wetmore, box of cigars from S. T. Hubbard, large frosted guess cake from Mrs. R. L. Underwood, slippers and painted placque from Mrs. Dr. Benjamin Greene, three fancy bags from Miss Sallie Irish of Providence, large guess cake highly ornamented from Julius Arnold, painted placque from Mrs. B. F. Downing, Jr., painted placque and key rack from Mrs. Richard Langley of New York, and painted placque from Miss Sarah Denman.

The funeral of Wm. T. Read whose sudden death was briefly mentioned in last week's MERCURY, was solemnized on Sunday afternoon. St. John's Lodge of Masons and Washington Commandery, K. T., of which the deceased was a member, were in charge and turned out in a full regalia.

Miss Proud opened the new school on Farewell street Monday with thirty-two scholars.

THE AQUIDNECK FAIR.

Unprecedented Success both Socially and Financially—The Awards.

The six days' fair of the Aquidneck Agricultural Society has made the Opera House the centre of attraction throughout the week and its close tonight will be a sincere regret to hundreds of our citizens and island neighbors who have found delight in renewing old and forming new acquaintances at the nightly gatherings. Neither pains nor expense had been spared to make the entertainment equal in every respect to its predecessors and the result must be most gratifying to the committee having the matter in charge.

The fair was formally opened on Monday evening with appropriate and interesting remarks by His Excellency Governor Wetmore and His Honor Mayor Powel. The hall was handsomely decorated and 11 electric lights illuminated even the remotest recesses. The space under the galleries was occupied by tables loaded down with fancy articles of all kinds ranging in price from ten cents up. The flower bower, provided with everything in its line from a button-hole bouquet to a huge house plant, was a handsome ornament for the centre of the floor while a short distance to the right, near the stage, a never-failing well of pure lemonade supplied the wants of the thirsty. At either side of the steps leading on to the stage were arrow tables to tempt the unwary, and the ever-moving "wheel of fortune" in the south-east corner proclaimed the "weakness of human nature." On entering upon the platform the handsome cedar boat on the right and a Webber upright piano and an elegantly upholstered sleigh on the left attracted your attention to the leading chance-gifts, while the entire rear of the stage was occupied with refreshment tables where anything from ice cream to a substantial dinner was served in the highest style of culinary art.

Pretty and active young misses whom everybody delighted to please were constantly on the move among the swaying crowds, soliciting chances in the board of nice things which the committee had selected to be thus disposed of, and no one was at a loss how to get rid of his or her loose change.

The Newport Band discoursed its most excellent music from the gallery in front every evening and on Wednesday and Thursday evenings they were ably assisted by the Adolph Glee Club (colored) with popular plantation and college songs. Col. A. C. Landers, the superintendent, and Messrs. Wm. O. Greene, Geo. P. Lawton, Melville Bull, John Block, Thos. Burlingham, Benjamin Howland, John J. Carry, James Anthony and others of the executive committee were kept actively engaged from the opening to the close in looking after the various departments while Mr. J. J. Peckham, the efficient secretary and treasurer had his hands full attending to the accounts of the various solicitors and to the numerous drawings. Everything passed off smoothly and in the pleasantest manner possible, and when we say that the results, both socially and financially, were fully equal to either of its predecessors, notwithstanding "hard times" and the fact that several other fairs have been successfully carried out here this winter, the great credit due the committee and their energetic helpers, will be readily understood.

Instead of closing at the Opera House last evening and having the season ticket drawing and sale at the Odd Fellows' Hall this Saturday evening, the committee have decided to finish out the week where they are. By this arrangement another children's day is obtained and the voting and guessing will be continued into the evening after which will come the auction sale and the drawing of the season tickets.

Following we give the principal awards announced up to the time of going to press:

China tea set—John H. Cozzens.
Cake—Mrs. P. C. Clarke.
Plaque—J. H. Comstock.
Dark Skye terrier—Miss May F. Landers.
Etched picture—W. P. Sheffield, Jr.
Turkey—Colonel Melville Bull, who guessed the exact weight, 20lbs. 3 oz.
Negro doll—Miss Sarah Hanly.
Picture, the Madonna—Oliver Tisdale, Jr.
Painted panel—Mrs. S. B. Gladding.
Bisque figures—Paymaster T. J. Cowie
Fowls—Ex-Mayor S. P. Slocum, A. P. Smith and James Riley, each of whom guessed 16lbs 8 oz. The exact weight was 16lbs. 10 oz. The three drew lots and the award was made to Mr. Riley.
Terrier—Mayor Powel.
Box of oranges—Miss Sadie Lee.
Box of oranges—E. Lawrence Arnold.
Box of oranges—J. P. White.
Bantams—John Block.
Picture—Paymaster T. Cowie.
Cakes—J. H. Wetherell, William Saulpaugh.
Three bushels of apples—A. C. Landers, P. J. Sullivan, William Peckham.
Lawn tennis racket—I. B. Bergman.
Dolls—Miss Katie Hayes, T. J. Cowle, G. H. Ebbs.
Tidy—Arnold L. Burdick.
Boxes of raisins—J. H. Comstock, W. B. Lawton.
Painted plaque—C. F. Frasch.
Side of beef—E. Young.
A large pie drawn by a delegation from the Rogers High School
Turkey—J. J. Hayes. The exact weight of turkey and box was 83 lbs., Mr. Hayes guessing nearest, 83 lbs. 8 oz.
Driving whip—A. T. Anthony.
Candle stick—Wm. Saulpaugh.
Calla—S. H. Lawton.
Doll—J. H. Comstock.
Heifer—Wm. C. Swinburne.
Aquidneck Fair cake—A. A. Burdick.
Aquidneck Fair pie—Carrie Comstock.
Bouquet—Charles Freeborn.
Rug—Melville Bull.
Flower placque—S. H. Lawton.
Music Rack—Charles Tisdale.
Guava Jelly—W. O. Greene.
Jars prunes—H. J. Hass.
Picture and Frame—D. L. Watkins.
Carcass of mutton—Mrs. A. C. Landers.
40 yards cloth—James Anthony.
3 guinea hens—Engs Carr.
Watch chain—Nellie R. Peckham.
Sheep—P. J. Lynch.
Large guess cake—Mrs. Wm. Allen.

The voting for the most popular foreman of the fire department, most popular letter carrier and most popular base ball nine stood as follows at the opening last night:

Letter Carrier—P. Simmons 59; W. H. Lee 30; Benj. Carr 25; Edward Bliss 10½; Daniel Brown 3; W. L. Anderson 6; W. A. Ward ½; Edward Brown ½.
Foreman Fire Department—Capt. Peabody 69; Capt. Austin 18; Capt. Tanner 7.
Base Ball Nine—Pacifics 100; Sunday Stars 42; Kite Flyers 32; Newports 27; St. Nicholas 16; High School 4.

Rain and Washouts.

The rainstorm which prevailed during the closing days of last week proved to be the severest ever known in this section and caused great damage to public and private property. Many of the streets were so badly washed out as to require a heavy outlay for repairs while several of the roads on the island were made impassable. Several of the cellars in town that had never shown signs of even dampness before were half filled with water and the winter stores of many a poor family were totally ruined.

From Friday until Tuesday Newport was almost entirely shut off from the outside world owing to the serious washouts on the roads. The only connection with Boston during that time had to be made by wire and at times even the wires refused to work. Newport's consolation is that it fared much better than many other New England towns.

Sunk Off Watch Hill.

About 10 o'clock Monday night, the crew of the down-east schooner Lucy A. Blossom came ashore at Watch Hill in their boat, and reported that their vessel had sunk about one mile from shore. She was heavily loaded with three hundred tons of coal consigned to Pinniger & Manchester of Newport, and in the heavy chop sea her chain plates had worked loose and her main mast had fallen, tearing up the deck badly. The vessel was then anchored, and the crew left her in their boat. They had not gone far, when the schooner filled with water and immediately sank. As it was a clear moonlight night, the crew reached shore without help, and were cared for at the Life Saving Station.

Some thirty-five gentlemen of Newport belonging to Palestine Temple, Ancient Arabic Order of the Mystic Shrine, went to Boston Thursday evening to make a fraternal visit to Aleppo Temple of Boston. They report a most delightful time.

Col. W. A. Stedman of this city, read a paper on Construction and Cost of a Gas Holder and Tank before the annual meeting of the New England Association of Gas Engineers in Providence Thursday.

The coming feast of Ireland's apostle March 17th, promises to be of unusual interest. The principal attractions will be the street parade and the lecture and concert at the Opera House for the benefit of St. Joseph's church.

The Jamestown ferry boat made a special trip Wednesday night to accommodate those wishing to attend the Aquidneck Fair at the Opera House and it was liberally patronized.

City Engineer Bentley announces in another column that the bridge across the creek at Easton's beach is temporarily closed to repair damages caused by the late rainfall.

The middle and corner stores in The Berkeley on Bellevue avenue have been rented for the coming season to Oscar C. W. Kries and J. Chadwick of New York, respectively.

Mr. E. P. Landers rendered valuable assistance to the fair committee this week in various ways, but more especially as clerk to the secretary and treasurer.

The Messrs. Pinard have rented one of their Newport cottages to Seth B. French, of New York, for the coming season.

Mr. George L. Thayer of this city has been appointed chief clerk in the St. Louis office of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy R. R.

Mrs. S. A. Gardner and family of New London have been in town this week, the guests of Mrs. Robert Sherman on Spring street.

A large number of our citizens took dinner at the Opera House, Wednesday and enjoyed one of Kaull's famous chowders.

Constant A. Andrews of New York has rented his cottage on Bellevue avenue to Wm. S. Wells of New York for next season.

Rev. Frank Rector lectured in Allenton, on Wednesday evening, to the satisfaction of a large audience. His subject was "Ice and Icelanders.

Dr. Benjamin Greene, president of the Aquidneck Agricultural Society, is suffering from an attack of paralysis.

Mr. William Brownell is confined to his home by serious illness.

Yachting Notes.

At the annual meeting of the New York Yacht Club, the new ticket was elected as follows, by a large majority:

Commodore—Elbridge T. Gerry.
Vice Commodore—C. C. Haight.
Rear Commodore—John C. Barron.
Secretary—John H. Bird.
Treasurer—F. W. J. Hurst.
Fleet Surgeon—Morris J. Asch, M. D.
Measurer—John M. Wilson.
Regatta Committee—Edward E. Chase, Frank T. Robinson and E. A. Willard.
Committee on Admissions—James D. Smith, John S. Dickerson, Henry C. Ward, Edward M. Brown and Chester Griswold.
House Committee—Thomas B. Asten, E. A. Houghton, B. C. Cleemann and S. T. Lippincott.

The annual regatta is to be on June 17th, at Newport; and Ogden Goelet has offered two cups, one of $1000 value for schooners and one of $500 for sloops.

The new yacht Atlantic is to be built as light as possible, and her sails spread will be equal to the Puritan's—length per length—as such is computed by the rul[illegible] the New York Yacht Club, and [illegible] award will be of the national ty[illegible] all possible improvements, fo[illegible] sors are not such staunch imi[illegible] English fashion as would put a "double head" rig on a canoe.

The new Boston yacht now being built at City Point for Gen. C. P. Paine, will be plainly finished, both outside and inside. Costly decorations and elaborate fixings are not called for by its owner, but speed, strength and practical ability are the things sought. Judging from the models the new sloop bids fair to rival her last year's sister, both in symmetry of lines and qualities that tend to speed. An easy entrance, a remarkably handsome and clean run and clearance are very marked in the model.

The British cutter Galatea is having her lead keel overhauled. She will be raced before leaving England on her hunt for the America's cup, at which time any improvement in her "form" over the last year will be seen very plainly. A correspondent of an English sporting paper says that the Galatea was designed specially to sail for the America cup, and with a full knowledge of the rules that would govern the contest. There is evidently an attempt being made now in England to "boast" the Galatea, which must excite the laughter of those in this country—and we might venture to say the Genesta's people—who saw the Genesta-Puritan matches last year.

The following table shows the dimensions of the new Boston and New York yachts, together with those of the Puritan for comparison:

	Puritan ft. in.	Paine's ft. in.	Atlantic ft. in.
Length over, all (stem to extreme end at taffrail).....	93	99 0	95 1
Length on water line (stem to stern post).....	81 1	85 6	82 1
Extreme beam.....	22 7	23 0	23 2
Water line.....	21 8	21 0	22 8
Depth of keel to top of beam.....	....	11 4	12 3
Depth in hold.....	....	8 10	10 6
Draught at stern post.....	....	9 0	8 7
Draft midships.....	....	8 0	8 10
Draft four feet abaft of stem.....	....	4 6	4 5
Draft with centre-board.....	....	18 0	20 6
Least free board.....	....	3 3	3 3
Sheer.....	....	3 3	....
Height of stem from water line.....	....	6 6	7 0
Height of bulwarks midships.....	....	1 7	1 3
Overhang forward..	....	0 5	0 11
Overhang aft.....	....	14 7	10 6
Height of mainmast to topsail block.....	102 1	102 1	106
Sail area.....	7981 0	....	....
Mean beam water-line.....	13 56	13 75	....

A Memorable Anniversary.

Thirty-seven years ago last Monday, or, on Thursday, February 15, 1849, the ship Audley Clark, Captain Ayrault W. Dennis, sailed from Newport, with about one hundred persons on board, bound for San Francisco, the then newly discovered gold region of the United States. Curiosity led us to overhaul the files of the MERCURY, published at that time, and the result of the search, is the fact that in our city at the present time reside the following persons who composed a part of the "Audley's compliment" of gold and fortune hunters: Levi Johnson, Michael Cottrell, Benjamin A. Sayer, Stephen R. Goffe, John Tompkins, William H. Fludder, Thomas Barlow, Joseph F. Barker, William Engs Dennis, William T. Dennis, George B. Slocum, James M. K. Southwick, Joseph M. Lyon, William K. Lawton and Benjamin Brown. John Y. McKenzie is at San Francisco, and William Stevens at Bridgeport, Conn. Doubtless there may be other survivors but they are not known to the writer.

Business Changes.

The grocery business lately conducted by John H. Peckham at Lake's Corner, Broadway, has been purchased by Charles E. Ellis of New Bedford, who will continue the business under the name of Newport Cash Store.

Samuel McAdam has withdrawn from the firm of McAdam and Openshaw, plumbers, and the business will be continued by James Openshaw.

The firm of Clegg & Wilkinson (Newport Electric Company) has been dissolved, Mr. Clegg purchasing his partner's interest.

The police dropped upon a "club-room" in Downing's Block, Bellevue avenue, Sunday night. The inmates were subsequently fined $5 and costs, excepting the "proprietor" who is in jail awaiting the action of the grand jury in March.

Newport in 1775:

Continued.

Newport Mercury of January 9th, 1775.

Boston, January 2, 1775 Last week the Marines, which lately arrived in the Men-of-War from England, commanded by Major Pitcairn, were landed, and are now in barracks at the north end of the town.

London, Oct. 20, 1774. A correspondent remarks that the Bostonians are a most remarkable instance of philosophy and public spirit, not to be paralleled in history; They have all their lives been accustomed to a British trade, and making of money, and now, for the liberties of their country, forego all advantages, and submit to live on contributions from their neighbors.

Orders are sent down to Gosport for the Thames frigate to be immediately fitted for America.

The Falkland sloop-of-war, which was ordered for the West Indies, is since ordered to America.

Newport, Jan. 9, 1775. In the snow storm on Wednesday, the 28th of December, the brig ——, Capt. Thomas Litheo, was cast away on the south side of Long Island, against Sag-Town, and ten people, including the Captain, and one man and woman passengers, were drowned; three old countrymen only were saved, who said the brig was last from St. Eustatia, bound to Kennebeck, where she was owned by Col. Litheo; the vessel and cargo were entirely lost; some standing rigging, some sails; and one crank, being all that were saved.

In the same storm a sloop of about 90 Tons, from Norfolk, in Maryland, bound to Salem was cast away on the Gurnet in Boston Bay: Her cargo consisted of 2000 bushels of corn, 30 barrels of pork, 20 barrels of bread, and 15 firkins of butter, being donations to the town of Boston, and some hemp, private property. The vessel was entirely lost, but the people saved; the cargo was got on shore, but most of it much damaged or quite spoiled.

The force part of last week a man belonging to the Rind frigate, in this harbor, fell overboard and was drowned, but was taken up, and on Thursday last was carried ashore at Goat Island (now Torpedo Station) and buried; one of the people who went ashore, and was left to take care of the barge, turned the barge adrift, and then came off in the boat belonging to Fort George, and notwithstanding he was fired at three times, he landed at some part of this town, and made his escape, the other people having no boat to pursue him.

Some time past, at the request of the committee of inspection for this town, we republished the 8th article of the association of the Continental Congress, respecting mourning: but the same being by some disregarded, or not understood, we are desired to insert that part again, which immediately relates to mourning, which is as follows. "And on the death of any relation or friend, none of us, or or any of our families, will go into any further mourning dress, than a black crape or ribbon on the arm or hat for Gentlemen, and a black ribbon and necklace for Ladies, and we will discontinue the giving of gloves and scarfs at funerals."

And we are also requested to publish the opinion of a number of friends to American liberty, with regard to the meaning of the above, which is, "That no mourning, either *new* or *old*, is permitted to be worn, by said article, except what is therein expressed.

Last Thursday sailed, the ship Alexander, Capt. Thomas Blundell, for Charles-Town, South Carolina, with whom went passengers, Mr. Samuel Hart, merchant, and Mr. John Fry of this town, and Mr. Cuthbert of Boston.

The same day sailed for Jamaica, the brig Sallie, with whom went passenger, Col. Barnet.

"On Saturday morning last (January 7th, 1775) departed this life, deservedly lamented by all who knew him, in the the 46th year of his age, Mr. Benjamin Mason, of this town, merchant. *

"In private life, those who were more intimately connected with Mr. Mason, can testify his affection as a husband, his tenderness as a father, his humanity as a master, and his sincerity as a friend, were worthy imitation.

As a merchant, his abilities were great, few, perhaps equalled him in a thorough knowledge of trade, in its various branches; this afforded him frequent opportunities, which he always readily embraced, of serving his neighbors, and rendered him a truly valuable member of society. And hence it was, that so many of his fellow citizens, relying on the capacity, candor, and uprightness, apparent throughout the extensive business he carried on, prefered him as a judge and mediator, and that they so often solicited his advice, and assistance, in settling their most intricate disputes. Indeed so conspicuous was his integrity through life, that envy itself never dared to impeach his honesty, nor slander detract from his character as a man of honor. Having by his great industry, acquired a handsome fortune, his gratitude was manifested to the sovereign donor of all good, by a free communication of happiness to the indigent and miserable who daily craved relief at his hospitable door, and who join the general lamentation for his early death. His remains are to be interred in Trinity church yard, this afternoon, Monday, January 9th, at 4 o'clock.

To the Printer. Riddles in real life, and daily exemplified.

Is it not a Riddle, that a man with a place of fifty, or sixty pounds a year, under the government, can live like a gentleman, who has a freehold of three, or four hundred a year?

Is it not a Riddle, that a man who is bankrupt, and has delivered up, and that upon oath, all his effects to his creditors, should yet, within a year or two, be as great, or a greater man, and live as grand as ever?

Is it not a Riddle, that, when one man has injured another, it should be looked upon as a point of honor, and the way to retrieve his character, to send him out of the world, by becoming his *murderer?*

Is it not a Riddle, that many of our *young ladies*, who are modest and virtuous, should yet admit into their company men of the loosest principles, and worst of characters, and should even prefer for their husbands the greatest rakes to men of virtue and sobriety? *Cœlia, spare thyself.*

Is it not a Riddle, that *tradesmen*, who can give their daughters little or nothing, should yet breed them up at boarding schools where they learn nothing but insolence, and extravagance of every kind, a love of pleasure, of dress, and intrigue, and yet expect that diligent young men should marry them, and possess in them humble and discreet, pious and notable wives?

Is it not also an *inconceivable, irreconcilable* Riddle, how any man, in his senses, that lives a wicked life upon earth, should yet expect to go to heaven when he dies?

But, of all others, is not *this* the greatest, the most inaccountable Riddle, how so many of our *clergy*, who profess to be teachers of the blessed Jesus, should yet *live* so contrary to his divine laws and precepts? Or how they can answer to their own consciences the neglect of their people *in the manner they do*, whose souls are committed to their care, and for whom they must be answerable at the day of judgment.

Si pro se unusquisque vix poterit in die judicii rationem reddere, quid *de sacerdotibus* futurum est, a quibus sunt omnium animæ requirendæ?

Translation—If in the day of judgment, one could scarcely give a reason for himself, what of the future of the priests of whom the souls of all men are required.

Bill of mortality for Newport, A. D. 1774. Whites, 166. Blacks, 47. Total 213. Number of inhabitants, 9295.

To be sold, agreeable to the American Congress Association, on Wednesday the 11th of January instant, at 10 o'clock A. M. at Public Auction, at the store of Mr. John Bours. Four boxes of merchandise, imported at New York, in the ship Daniel, Capt. Casey, from Liverpool, and arrived since the 1st of December, and shipped by the committee of Inspection at Newport: containing checks, janes, waistcoat patterns, breeches pieces, bed-ticks, silk-damask, silk hose, &c., &c., amounting to about £270 at the sterling cost and charges, and one per cent advance.

N. B. The goods will be put up, according to invoice, and sold to the highest bidder.

Just published, and to be sold by the printer hereof, strictures or a pamphlet entitled "a friendly address to all reasonable Americans," &c. These Strictures are supposed to be written by a celebrated Military Officer, who is a regular soldier, and has shown that two hundred thousand American Troops may be raised in America, and disciplined, equal to any British Regulars, in 3 or 4 months.

At a town meeting held in Middletown, Jan. 4, 1775. Voted, That John Barker, William Stoddard, Esqrs., Capt. James Potter, Mr. Isaac Smith, Capt. William Taggart, Mr Nicholas Easton, and Mr. Joshua Barker, be a committee of correspondence for this town, agreeable to the eleventh article of the Continental Congress. A true copy as appears on record. Witness, John Barker, Town Clerk.

*Note. Mr. Masons residence was on the corner of Thames and Brewer streets, where now stands the Thames street M. E. church, he was the great grandfather of Geo. C. Mason, Esq.

Newport Mercury of January 23, 1775.

Wanted. Two lads as Drummers for the Artillery company, in this town, who will have their clothes found, and the expense of teaching them defrayed by the company; also wanted a good master Drummer to instruct the lads: Inquire of the printer.

To be sold by the printer hereof, The wonderful appearance of the Angel, Devil, and Ghost, to a gentleman in the town of Boston, in the nights of the 14th, 15th, and 16th of October 1774. To whom in some measure may be attributed the Distresses that have of late fallen upon that unhappy Metiopolis.

London, Oct. 25th 1774. By a letter from Boston, we learn that General Lee, who had been disgusted at the treatment he had met with at the Court of London, has joined the people at Boston. He had set out for the Congress at Philadelphia, it was thought, with an intention to put himself at the head of the Bostonians. From his abilities and skill as an officer, he may create some trouble to government. It was generally thought, when these advices came away, that if the Congress proceeded to any extraordinary step, General Gage would send part of the troops to Philadelphia, and take the Deputies prisoners.

Williamsburg, Virginia, December 22, 1774. The Dunmore, Tompkins, cleared out yesterday, from the upper district of James River, with 2681 bushels of wheat, and 811 bushels of corn, collected for the relief of our suffering fellow subjects in Boston.

Providence, December 31, 1774. Monday last John Williams, for stealing 2 yoke of oxen, which he drove to Boston and butchered, was whipped 30 stripes at the public whipping-post, and is to receive the like number on Monday next.

London, October 27, 1774, The late Mr. Bradshaw had the reversion for himself, and two sons, of Surveyor of the Woods in America, and a pension of 1500£ per annum.

November 12th. More soldiers are preparing for a voyage to America from Ireland.

We learn from Calais, that the Phenix man of war of 80 guns, and three frigates of 32 guns, were ready to sail for America. J. C. S.

To be continued.

Col. Robert B. Lawton.

To the Editor of the Newport Mercury—In the Newport MERCURY of September 9, 1885, we published an article entitled "Bannister's Wharf in 1820," and among the names of many very respectable persons, we mentioned that of Col. Robert B. Lawton, at that time clerk in the hardware store of William H. Rathbone; we also spoke of him as a sailor boy, and while in that capacity he visited many foreign places; afterwards entered the U. S. Army as Lieut. of Dragoons, passing unhurt through the Florida or Seminole war, Mexican war, and our late Civil war, during which he was promoted to the rank of Colonel.

Col. Lawton died 1876, not possessed of much worldly goods, but had he survived his cousin, the late Samuel Brown, he would, we learn, have come into possession of a very considerable property, but leaving neither wife nor child, it fell to the children of his only sister, who, since her death, have built several dwelling houses, and otherwise improved the Gov. Wanton estate, occupied by Col. Lawton at the time of his death.

In closing the article above referred to, we used the following language: The last years of Col. Lawton's life were passed in retirement, and after a lingering illness he died, his body slumbering near those of his relatives in the common burying-ground in this city, with nought to mark the spot save a tiny American flag placed there by soldiers of the Grand Army.

Nearly ten years have elapsed since the death of Col. Lawton, who while living, had hosts of friends, none of them more generous than Samuel Engs, Esq., whose friendship was as lasting as it was sincere, and to perpetuate his memory has erected a monument bearing the following inscription:

Col.
Robert B. Lawton.
died May 11, 1876,
aged 70 years.

The few surviving friends of Col. Lawton, that were intimate with, and who still remember him for his kindly disposition, will sometimes visit his grave, nor are they alone in their remembrance of the dead, for in the coming years; in the season when all nature smiles and the singing of birds is heard in the land; soldiers of the Grand Army will place upon his grave the flag he loved so well, and near it, in all their lovelness, a few flowers, emblems of immortality. J. C. S.

Law-and-Order League.

At a meeting of the newly elected executive committee of the Law-and-Order League, Monday afternoon, it was voted to have 1000 copies of the annual report, together with abstracts of the addresses delivered at the annual meeting, printed, and Capt. J. P. Cotton, Rev. Dr. Warren Randolph and Mr. G. B. Reynolds were chosen a committee to prepare the matter.

Following are the officers of the League for the coming year:

President—Hon. Thos. T. Carr.
Vice President—Rev. Father T. F. Doran.
Secretary—A. B. Emmons.
Treasurer—G. B. Reynolds.
Executive Officer—James B. Brayton.

Real Estate Sales.

Patrick Manning and wife have sold their estate on Perry street to Col. C. L. Best of Fort Adams, for $1, etc.

Abbie Spooner has sold her estate on Barney street, containing 2000 square feet of land to Wm. H. Wilbur, for $1, etc.

Constant Smith has sold a lot of land 25 by 64 feet, adjoining his estate on William street, to Mrs. Edward F. Hughes for $625.

Henry Bull and wife have sold their interest in the Bannister estate on Frank street to Sarah Melville for 1$, etc.

The city hose-tower, which was sometime since removed some ten inches from its original position by a gale of wind, and afterwards replaced by means of powerful screws, was again removed by the heavy wind on Monday night last, about four inches from its position, and has since been replaced through the same means. A few more similar removals and replacements will render it unsafe for the neighborhood. It will soon be in the condition of "an old corn basket."

The Newport Branch of the Ancient Order of Hibernians will observe Washington's birthday with a social Monday evening in Odd Fellows' Hall.

The members of the Newport Artillery will make a similar observance at their armory on Clarke street the same evening.

CITY BRIEFS.

Jottings of Newport and Newporters.

J. H. Glover of New York has been in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter L. Kane are in New York.

The Newport jail now boasts of a library of upwards of 500 volumes.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Franklin have gone to Michigan.

It is generally conceded that the Aquidneck fair was a brilliant success.

Schoolship New Hampshire has received two detachments of boys this week.

Rev. Father Curley of Crompton, formerly of this city, has been in town this week.

State Auditor Cross and wife have been in town this week, the guests of Mr. Clark H. Burdick.

Asst. Surgeon C. W. Rush, late of the New Hampshire, has been ordered to the receiving ship Franklin.

Messrs. Cornelius and Fred. W. Vanderbilt of New York, have been in town this week.

Mr. Wm. S. Lawton and family have returned from their few days' visit to New York.

The U. S. Training School ships Jamestown, Portsmouth, and Saratoga, with the U. S. Steamer Yantic, arrived at Barbadoes, February 10.

The subscription ball to be given at the Opera House Monday evening promises to take precedent among the social events of a Newport winter.

Capt. M. C. Marin and his daughter are just recovering from a serious illness caused from eating canned corned beef.

The death of Gen. Hancock was officially announced from Fort Adams Thursday with a salute of seventeen guns.

By the recent decision in the Court of Claims the officers stationed on board the schoolship New Hampshire will receive sea pay.

The new uniforms for the police force have been received and the men present a fine appearance. The day force are to be provided with belts, when their clubs will be carried at the side.

A donation of $75,000 for the erection in New York city of a building to serve as a business headquarters for the clergy of that diocese, is one of Miss Wolfe's latest charities.

The Misses Bessie and Augusta Hunter are visiting friends in New York, and Miss Annie has joined a party of tourists for a trip through lower California.

The prospects for a good season in Newport next summer are most encouraging. Numerous rentals have already been made and inquiries for cottages come in with every mail.

The Aquidneck fair will be continued at the Opera House this afternoon, and the drawing of the capital prizes and the sale will take place there this evening instead of at Odd Fellows Hall as was at first intended.

Hon. John B. Finch delivered an interesting lecture on Constitutional Amendment at the First Baptist church Thursday evening, under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The World's Amusement Company of Boston having decided that they don't want a live white whale just at present, have reimbursed Mr. S. Jacob of this city for his trouble and cancelled the contract.

St. Patrick's Day will be observed in Newport this year with a street parade in the morning and probably a ball in the evening. It will be the first time the day has been thus celebrated in this city in several years.

A. A. Barker, the Broadway grocer, is the only authorized agent in this section for the famous Stockbridge and Buffalo fertilizers and his announcement in another column should be read by the farmers.

The large attendance at St. George's Chapel on Rhode Island avenue each Sabbath proves the wisdom of its location. It is a very pretty chapel, and when provided with carpets and cushions, as it soon is to be, it will be a most comfortable one.

Patents have been granted to Edward E. Taylor, assignor of one-half to J. S. Hazard, Newport, R. I., for combined barrel clamp and hook, and to George E. Waring, Jr., Newport, R. I., assignor to Drainage Construction Company, Boston, Mass., for siphon and outlet or wire chamber for flush tanks,

The Providence Journal was the only Sunday paper to reach Newport last Sunday and got through only after a severe struggle with the elements. Mr. Tompkins who has charge of the Journal's interests here drove through to Bristol Ferry Saturday night and was met there by the Providence man.

Poetry.

The Old Couple.

It stands in a sunny meadow,
The house so sunny and brown,
With its cumbrous old stone chimney
And the gray roof sloping down!

The trees fold their green arms around it,
The trees a century old;
And the winds go chanting through them
And the sunbeams drop their gold!

The cowslips spring in the marshes,
And the roses bloom on the hill;
And beside the brook in the pasture
The herds go feeding at will.

The children have gone and left them;
They sit in the sun alone;
And the old wife's ears are failing,
As she harks to the well-known tone

That won her heart in girlhood,
That has soothed her in many a care,
And praises her now for the brightness
Her old face used to wear.

She thinks again of her bridal—
How, dressed in her robe of white,
She stood by her gay young lover
In the morning's rosy light.

Oh! the morning is rosy as ever,
But the rose from her cheek has fled;
And the sunshine still is golden,
But it falls on a silvered head.

And the girlhood dreams, once vanished,
Come back in her winter time,
Till her feeble pulses tremble
With the thrill of springtime prime.

And looking forth from the window,
She thinks how the trees have grown,
Since clad in her bridal whiteness,
She crossed the old doorstone.

Though dimmed her eyes' bright azure,
And dimmed her hair's young gold,
The love in her girlhood plighted
Has never grown dim or old.

They sat in their place in sunshine
Till the day was almost done;
And then, at its close, an angel
Stole over the threshold stone.

He folded their hands together,
He touched their eyelids with balm;
And their last breath floated upward,
Like the close of a solemn psalm.

Like a bridal pair, they traversed
The unseen mystic road
That leads to the beautiful city
"Whose builder and maker is God."

—[Providence Journal.

The Forsaken Farmhouse.

Against the wooded hills it stands,
Ghost of a dead home, staring through
Its broken lights on wasted lands
Where old-time harvest grew.

Unploughed, unsown, by scythe unshorn,
The poor forsaken farm-fields lie,
Once rich and rife with golden corn
And pale green brendfits of rye.

Of healthful herb and flower bereft,
The garden plot no housewife keeps;
Through weeds and tangle only left
The snake, its tenant, creeps.

A lilac spray, once blossom clad,
Sways bare before the empty rooms;
Beside the roofless porch a sad,
Pathetic red rose blooms.

His track, in moats of dust and drouth,
On floor and hearth the squirrel leaves,
And in the fireless chimney's mouth
His web the spider weaves.

The leaning barn about to fall
Resounds no more on husking eves;
No cattle low in yard or stall,
No thresher beats his sheaves.

So sad, so dreary it seems almost
Some haunting Presence makes its sign;
That down you shadowy lane some ghost
Might drive his spectral kine!

—[J. G. Whittier in the Atlantic.

Selected Tale.

A MAN'S PRIDE.

What a change had come over the brilliant young actress since her acquaintance with Girard Hollister began. Thrown, some years before, in contact with the stage by the necessity for earning her own livelihood, Miriam Strickland had adopted that life, and had soon conceived a passionate fondness for her art.

Not a great beauty yet she possessed a lovely, mobile and strikingly expressive countenance, which, with her talent and ambition, promised a brilliant future. But from the moment that Girard Hollister chanced to mention in her hearing his unconquerable prejudice against women who 'degraded' themselves by appearing before the foot lights, she had felt a secret shame for her chosen profession, and a passionate regret that her destiny had guided her foot steps to the stage.

Not for a moment did Girard dream that he was walking, talking paying his most devoted attention to an actress all these weeks. Her own name, widely different from the nom de theatre by which she was known in the realms of art, betrayed nothing, and she was not yet so famous that she could not pass the few weeks of her vacation in some quiet resort without being pointed out to curious strangers as Miss So-and-So, a theatrical celebrity, you know."

And Miriam had never once alluded to her calling. At first, because she told herself that it was no concern of his; that he was but a passing acquaintance and could not be interested in the details of her daily life, nor she in his opinions. Then, as the days slipped by and he was ever at her side, as his presence became every hour more necessary to her happiness, it became harder and harder for her to open her lips upon the subject, for she felt certain that to confess the truth to him was simply to banish at once and forever all that had suddenly grown so dear.

No, she could not do it. So she weakly resolved to enjoy the sweet summer-dream a little longer, and then some day without a word of farewell or a hint of her intentions, to quietly slip back into her old place, leaving him still in ignorance. Then, though she lost him she would not lose his esteem, his affectionate remembrance—worth more to her now than all the world beside.

Thus she had drifted on, losing sight of flying time and the future regrets in the delusive sweetness of the present, until the manager's summons came like a rude shock to awaken her.

"What say you to a stroll along the beach, Miss Miriam?" asked Girard Hollister as they left the dining-room. "The moonlight will be lovely, just the evening to be down by the sea. Come!"

She drew back and hesitated a little, then said:

"Very well," and brought down her wraps.

Why not?—she thought. She knew it was all ended now and she braced herself for this last trying interview.

How she laughed and chatted as they walked on, touching upon all sorts of subjects most foreign to her own feelings.

They had a long stroll up and down the beach and never did she permit her gayety to flag, until at last they paused to take a lingering look at their feet ere they turned back to the house. Then all the dreary desolation of the parting rushed over her and she stood silent, thinking of nothing save that this was the last time she would ever stand by his side.

The last time, but he did not know it yet. She had meant that he should not know it.

"What are you dreaming of?" he asked softly, wondering at the abrupt change in her mood. "Your shawl is falling off," he added. Let me replace it; you will catch cold, I fear."

He took the soft, fleecy-white wrap, as he spoke, and folding it tenderly about her, almost unconsciously drawing her nearer to himself as he did so. She turned her face toward him at that instant and he was astonished at the white drawn look of misery it wore.

"Miriam!" he cried, drawing her into a sudden close embrace. "You are in trouble. What is it, darling? Tell me, for oh, Miriam I love you!"

"It is nothing," she answered, making a faint effort to escape from his arms. "Only I am going away to-morrow. I did not mean to tell you, however."

"Going away, and did not intend to tell me? Oh, Miriam!" reproachfully. "Has anything occurred to—"

"No, nothing unusual has occurred," she broke in with reckless candor. "I've been sent for to join my company, that's all. My vacation is over, the 'season' is about to commence and I go to resume my old life as an actress."

"An actress! You—Miriam?"

Involuntarily his arms had loosened their clasp and he recoiled a step, but not more quickly than she drew away from him.

"It cannot be true," he added, hopefully, the next instant. "You are jesting, surely, else why did you never tell me this before?"

"Why?" There was a ring of self-scorn in her clear tones, for his manner had so plainly betrayed his feelings that pride and resentment had been quickly roused within her breast. "Because I was so weak, so foolish as to fear to lose your respect and friendship by confessing it. The avowal is made now, however, and you have my permission to retract the words of love you have just spoken. I am well aware that in your eyes it is little less than a crime to be an actress."

"No, no—not that," he said hastily; "but—"

His voice faltered suddenly and he moved a few paces from her. It was plain that his feelings were deeply stirred, that his pride and prejudice were battling with a strong love. His face was very pale and looked agitated, almost stern in the pale moonlight, as the next moment he came back and stood before her.

"Miriam," he began, in a low, trembling, husky voice, "you are fully aware of my feelings on that subject. You have often heard me declare that I could never marry an actress—a woman who had posed before the footlights, whose name was bandied about in public places on every careless tongue. It is an old-fashioned prejudice, doubtless—it may be unjust, unmanly even, yet it is there, and I cannot help it. I would have the name of the woman I love held sacred. She must belong to me not to the public. I could never forget—"

"Enough, sir," she interrupted haughtily. "I am not ashamed of my profession. I am only ashamed of the weakness that caused me to conceal it. Though I know myself to be entirely worthy of your love, it matters nothing now. I don't regret its loss."

"It's loss!" he re-echoed, in a dull, hopeless tone. "I wish to Heaven I did not love you, Miriam. I should be happier now. If I could let you go out of my life without regret or pain—"

She interrupted him with a hard bitter little laugh.

"An extraordinary wish, Mr. Hollister!" she exclaimed, ironically. "As if the movements of a despised actress—"

"Miriam!"

"Of a woman who had posed before the footlights' could be anything to you!" she went on unheeding that exclamation so full of passionate sorrow and reproach. "Still, I am going out of your life as you express it, to-morrow. We shall probably never meet again, and so"—her proud, half sneering tones broke here with a thrill of pain, in spite of her—"so I will now bid you good night and good-by, Mr. Hollister."

She bent her dark head toward him with a slight, queenly inclination, and with icy, unyielding pride written in every line of her beautiful face, she passed him where he stood and went slowly to the house without one backward glance.

One movement he made toward her and half-extended his arms with a pleading gesture. But she took no notice and he, remembering, fell silently back and made no other effort to detain her.

"Better so," he muttered, turning away, after the last glimpse of her light draperies had disappeared, and restlessly pacing up and down the sandy beach where the waves mocked him with their lonesome music. "With a wife like that I should never know a moment's peace. The thought of her past, even were she willing to leave the stage for me, would be a ceaseless torture. And yet—good God! how I have learned to love her!"

There was no need to ask himself whether she loved him. He knew it; and he knew also that his stern pride, which decreed an impassable barrier between them, had made two hearts miserable for many a day to come.

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"Yes, I have decided to accept your offer, Mr. Hollister, though I don't profess any very strong affection for you at present," quite calmly remarked the pretty widow, Marcia Glenn, whose answer to the most important question a man can ask Girard Hollister was not very impatiently waiting. "And as to yourself," glancing up into his handsome, unimpassionate face with an arch, involuntary smile, "I am certain no one can accuse you of being a very ardent lover."

"I shall be a faithful one, at least," he hastened to declare, as he returned her smile. "And perhaps we shall be all the happier if we do not begin at first with the extravagant dreams of early youth."

And so he placed a costly diamond upon the little white hand resting so calmly in his own and the wedding-day was named.

"I am not his first love, that is plain," thought the little widow shrewdly. "He has had some desperate love affair in the past and will never really love again. But what of it? He is handsome, agreeable, wealthy and will be an indulgent husband, I foresee; so what more could any sensible woman ask?"

She was right. Four years had passed since his parting with Miriam at Strickland on the beach, but, strive as he would to forget her, he never had done so and never would. At last he resolved to marry, simply because of his need for companionship and to secure a fair mistress for his elegant home. So he chose one in his own patrician circle, one pretty widow who cared not a rush for him as a woman usually cares for the man she marries.

It was long after this that her suspicions of a romance in his past life found confirmation. Girard had not visited a theatre in his native land for four long years, the greater part of which had been spent in foreign travel. But Marcia was fond of theatre going, and he could not refuse to obey the wishes of his future bride.

"I have desired to see her for ever so long," chirruped the lively little woman as they awaited the appearance of the star. "She has won a splendid reputation both professionally and socially. She has never appeared in this city, but I have friends elsewhere who know her well and are enthusiastic in her praises. She has had a romance, too, they say, which of course, only adds to the interest she has excited."

Her affianced husband listened to her ceaseless chatter, an amused smile on his handsome features, as he listlessly awaited the appearance of the wonderful star.

The name on the programme told him nothing; so when at last she stepped upon the boards—a lovely and perfect vision of glorious womanhood, he half started from his chair with a low cry of irrepressible amazement. For it was no other than Miriam Strickland herself whom he saw there beyond the footlights.

From that moment Mrs. Glenn had enough to enchain her attention and employ her woman's wits. It was a revelation to her—that handsome, flushed face, full of eager, intense, breathless interest at last, those dark eyes glowing with passionate feeling—why, she hardly recognized her cool, calm lover. She kept her own counsel, however, and it was not until the following day that Girard had any inkling of what had been passing through her pretty head.

It came to him on dainty cream-laid paper, a frank little communication very characteristic of the candid widow.

"I have always suspected a romance—in fact, a desperate, hopeless, love affair—somewhere in your past life," it said. "Last night I became perfectly sure of it, and the woman whom you loved then—whom you love now with every throb of your proud heart, stood there on the stage before us—Miriam Strickland. Knowing something of your rigid prejudice—and let me tell you, a silly prejudice it is which all sensible people have relegated to old fogyism—against actresses, and putting this and that together, I think I have hit upon the truth.

"Now listen! That woman is as good and pure, as worthy to be your wife as I. You love her madly and you do not love me at all. Take my advice; go to her like an honest man; learn whether she still cares for you, and if she does, ask her to be your wife.

"Now don't imagine that I'm sacrificing my own affections on the altar of your happiness. Nothing of the kind. You must admit that ours would have been merely a marriage de convenance, and, on the whole, I believe I should prefer to marry for love. Now, don't you think I'm right?

"I give you this advice honestly, earnestly, hoping with all my heart that you will heed it. Impatiently awaiting to hear of your real happiness, I am

Anxiously yours,

"MARCIA GLENN."

"God bless her! Oh, if she will only forgive me!" murmured Hollister, as a sudden light of hope flushed into his pale face and shone almost dazzingly from his fine dark eyes.

His first exclamation referred to the pretty widow, but the other—ah! he was thinking only of the beautiful actress, the woman who 'posed before the footlights' only the night before, as he seized his hat and started off at once to learn his fate from her lips.

His sudden appearance surprised her into a momentary betrayal of her feelings which her pride would otherwise have guarded too successfully.

There was need of but few embarrassing words—the letter which he put into her hand told the story more effectually and brought a rush of tell-tale crimson to that fair face of the star.

"What do you say, Miriam?" he pleaded, as she finished its perusal and sat musing, with a soft, half smile on her perfect lips. "Is the past forgiven?"

"What does your heart say to this?" and she held up Marcia's letter. "Tell me that before I answer you."

"It says 'amen' to every word of it, my darling," he responded, passionately. "Oh, Miriam, I have bitterly atoned. Forgive me!"

Not many months afterward Miriam Strickland Hollister, a happy bride, gave up her public triumphs and retired from the stage. Not because Girard demanded such a sacrifice, but because it was now no sacrifice to her. Love had become more to her than fame, and she gladly yielded to the unspoken desire of her husband's heart.

A Complete Vindication.

A fire occurred in an Arkansas town the other night, but the chief of the fire department paid no attention to the alarm. The next night he was summoned to appear before the council.

"Mr. Chief," said the mayor, "did you hear the fire alarm last night?"

"Yes."

"Were you in good health at the time of the alarm?"

"Yes, believe I was."

"Then you acknowledge a willful neglect of duty?"

"No, sir."

"Why, then, did you not respond if you were not determined to neglect your duty?"

"Couldn't get away."

"Illness in your family?"

"No."

"Then, sir, I demand the reason."

"Well, you see, a parsel of us fellows were in Anderson's back-room when the bell rang. I had four aces at the time, and—"

"What?"

"Yes, held four aces. John Buckner began to bluff, and—"

"How did it result?" was asked with heightened interest.

"Oh, I lifted him for about $200."

"You don't say so? Gentlemen, that was doubtless a very interesting game. As there is no business of any importance we'll adjourn and go down to Anderson's back room."

Next morning the daily paper contained the following notice:

"The enemies of our chief of the fire department having circulated reports to the effect that he had willfully neglected his duty, that gentleman was last night summoned before the city council to answer the charges brought against him. The investigation resulted in a complete vindication of our worthy chief, and friends on every side pressed forward to congratulate him. The idler's tongue is ever flippant, and, to our shame be it said, we are ever willing to hearken to the words of the traducer. Our worthy chief will be a candidate for re-election, and, as the matter now stands, it will be impossible to defeat him."

A Darwinian Irishman.

It was a pretty good story ex-Governor Rice told at the dinner of the "Boston Merchants Association," a few days since, probably intended to hit some of the non-committal speeches of the Congressmen who had preceded him. A gentleman going to his library one evening told his new man servant Patrick to say, if anybody called, that he wasn't at home. "Is it a lie ye want me to tell?" said Patrick. "Oh, no," said the gentleman—but give some *evasive* answer. Soon after the door-bell rang and Patrick went to the door.

The gentleman called Patrick to the library and, asking a description of the man who called, found it was his clergyman whom he particularly wanted to see. "Did you tell him I wasn't at home?" said the gentleman. "No," said Patrick. "What did you tell him?" "I gave him an *evasive* answer," said Patrick. "Yes, but what was it?" "Well, I said, is it Mr.——you want to see? He said 'yes,' and I told him his grandfather was a monkey and shut the door."

Mr. Morrison, of Illinois, has brought up in the ways and means committee a resolution to devote all the surplus in the treasury above $1,000,000 to the public debt.

HISTORY OF THE AMERICAN WHALE FISHERY FROM 1784 to 1810.

Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, Cape Cod, Boston, Long Island, Rhode Island, New Bedford, Williamsburg, &c.

But the announcement of peace came to a people whose commerce was sadly devastated. Save such of the interest as had been preserved by what Mr. Jefferson termed the Nantucketers, the business of whaling was practically ruined and required rebuilding. To Nantucket the war had, despite its holy necessity and its glorious conclusion, been a heavy burden. Of the little over 150 vessels owned there in 1775, 134 had fallen into the hands of the English and 15 more were lost by shipwreck; many of the young men had perished through the rigors of war; in about 800 families on the island there were 202 widows and 342 orphan children; the direct money lost far exceeded $1,000,000 in times when a man's pay was 67 cents per day; one merchant alone lost over $60,000. And as it was with Nantucket, so it was in a degree with all the whaling ports. With an energy characteristically American, they sought, on the return of peace, to retrieve their losses. Scarcely had the echo of the hostile guns died away, scarcely had the joyful news of peace reached their ports, when the whalemen began to equip for their fishery. The Bedford, just returned to Nantucket from a voyage, was immediately loaded with oil and dispatched to London, arriving in the Downs on the 3d of February. Her appearance was thus chronicled by an English magazine of that day: "The ship Bedford, Captain Mooers, belonging to the Massachusetts, arrived in the Downs the 3d of February, passed Gravesend the 4th, and was reported at the Custom House the 6th instant. She was not allowed regular entry until some consultation had taken place between the commissioners of the customs & the lords of council, on account of the many acts of parliament yet in force against the rebels in America. She is loaded with 487 butts of whale oil; is American built; manned wholly by American seamen; wears the rebel colors & belongs to the Island of Nantucket in Massachusetts. This is the first vessel which displayed the thirteen rebellious stripes of America in any British Port. The vessel lies at Horseley down a little below the Tower, and is intended immediately to return to New England." Immediately after, almost simultaneously with her, arrived another ship from Nantucket—the Industry, Capt. John Chadwick, while the sloop Speedwell, James Whippey, master, was sent to Aux Cayes. Those at Nantucket who had capital left resumed the whale-fishery with as many vessels as they could procure. Long comparative immunity from capture had caused the whaling grounds to become repopulated, and the whales themselves had become less shy and hence more easily killed. Directly succeeding the war the products of the fishery commanded good prices, and soon other ports entered into competition, New London, Sag Harbor, Hudson, N. Y., Boston, Hingham, Wellfleet, Braintree, Plymouth, Bristol, each sent out one or more whale-hunters. For a brief time the business promised much profit, but the fever was a fitful one. The excessive prices which the commodity commanded immediately after the war rapidly became reduced; Great Britain, the only market for the sperm-oil, had, by an alien duty of £18 sterling per ton, practically precluded its shipment from America. Oil which before the war was worth £30, now scarcely brought £17, while to cover expenses and leave a reasonable margin for profit £25 were required. The situation was indeed desperate—almost hopeless. In the discussion of means for relief many of the people of Nantucket expressed the opinion that if the island could be made neutral, commercial affairs might assume a more healthy tone. A memorial was finally sent to the legislature of Massachusetts praying relief, and the agents presenting it were instructed to have the subject of neutrality acted upon. As may be readily supposed, however, the invidious legislation that Nantucket was unable to obtain during the war, she would scarcely be likely to get on its conclusion, and the subject of neutrality was very properly dismissed. That the depression in the whaling business needed some alleviation was, however, too evident to require discussion, and in 1785 the legislature passed the following preamble and resolution:

"Whereas this court, having a due sense of the high worth and importance of the whale fishery, are desirous of its preservation not only to this State, but to the United States in general; therefore,

"*Resolved*, that there be paid, out of the treasury of this commonwealth, the following bounties upon whale-oil, of the different qualities hereafter mentioned, viz: For every ton of white spermaceti oil, five pounds; for every ton of brown or yellow spermaceti oil, sixty shillings; for every ton of whale oil (so called), forty shillings, that may be taken or caught by any vessel or vessels, that are or may be owned and manned wholly by the inhabitants of this commonwealth, and landed within the same, from and after the first day of January next, until the further order of the general court."

The selectmen of the various towns were further empowered to appoint sworn inspectors to inspect all oil so landed, and mark on the head of each cask so inspected the initial letters of his name, and a description of the oil by the initials W. B., or Y. W. O., and deliver to the selectmen a sworn certificate thereof. To obtain the bounty, a certifisate from the selectmen must be presented to the governor and council, detailing the kind, quality, and amount of oil, and where landed. To this certificate the owners were to make oath or affirmation.

But, although the bounty seemed at first beneficial, the ultimate effect was not so good. The business became unduly stimulated and an over-production prevented to a great degree the desired advance in profit. The demand was greatly limited. A long suspension in the use of oil had accustomed the people in general to the use of tallow candles, and but little oil was required for towns or for light-houses.

In the meantime, seeing no chance for any amelioration in their condition, unable to carry on a business at a prospective loss, and accustomed from early childhood only to this pursuit, hence unable and unwilling to adventure another, some of the prominent merchants of Nantucket resolved to transfer their business to some place where the demand for their products and the advantageous bounty offered would make it far more remunerative. Among these was William Rotch. On the 4th of July, 1785, Mr. Rotch sailed from Nantucket in the ship Maria, bound for London, arriving there on the 27th. At as early a day as practicable he opened negotiations with the Chancellor of the Exchequer (William Pitt) for the transfer to England of such of the whale fishery at Nantucket as he could control. The subject was brought before the privy council, and Mr. Rotch waited four months for their summons. Finally, in deference to a request of his that some one be appointed to close the matter, he was referred to Lord Hawksbury, a gentleman not very favorably disposed towards America. Mr. Rotch gave him his estimate of the sum necessary to induce a removal, viz., "£100 sterling for the transportation of a family of five persons, and £100 settlement; £20,000 for a hundred families." Lord Hawksbury demurred to this as a large sum. At a subsequent interview, Mr. Rotch added to his previous position the demand to bring with him thirty American ships, which demand also met with remonstrance from Lord Hawksbury, who seemed to be of the "penny wise pound foolish" order of statesmen. Mr. Rotch finally took leave of Lord Hawksbury without obtaining any satisfaction, and embarking on board his vessel, sailed for France. Landing at Dunkirk, he drew up proposals to the French government and forwarded them to Paris. These proposals were eagerly entertained, and the preliminaries were speedily arranged for a transfer of the interest of Mr. Rotch and his family and friends to Dunkirk, from which port, for several years, a very successful fishery was carried on. Contemporary with the negotiations with Mr. Rotch, a letter was dispatched to the people of Nantucket by Capt. Shubael Gardner, from L.—— Coffin, who resided at Dunkirk, stating that his sympathy with the people of that island had led him to apply to the French government in their behalf, and with excellent success. Every request he had made had been granted, and the unlimited freedom, the abundance and cheapness of provisions, the absence of custom-houses, the small taxes, the regularity of the town, the manners and industry of the inhabitants, and its situation rendered it, in his opinion, "the most eligible place in the universe for the people of Nantucket to remove to."

What effect this state of affairs may have had in the arrangement of treaties of commerce with Great Britain is somewhat uncertain, but the attempt to a consummation of this plan was intrusted to a man not only thoroughly imbued with New England principles, but of sufficient statesmanship to realize of how much national importance this matter was. None knew better than John Adams that the secret of the commercial greatness which should be developed lay in the co-development of the fisheries; that herein was the nursery for seamen who would be a source of wealth in peace and power in war. It was desirable to make duties and courtesies more reciprocal, and one of the first duties intrusted to Mr. Adams on his appointment to the Court of St. James in 1785, was the arrangement of some treaty which should be mutually satisfactory. Naturally one of the principal points was the importation of the products of our fishermen, since that industry perhaps more than any other was in danger of serious injury from the existing condition of things.

In a letter to the Marquis of Carmarthen, dated July 25, 1785, Mr. Adams refers to the trouble accruing from the alien duties laid by England in these words: "The course of commerce, since the peace, between Great Britain and the United States of America, has been such as to have produced many inconveniencies to the persons concerned in it on both sides, which become every day more and more sensible. The zeal of Americans to make remittances to British merchants, has been such as to raise the interest of money to double its usual standard, to increase the price of bills of exchange to 8 or 10 per centum above par, and to advance the price of the produce of the country to almost double the usual rate. Large sums of the circulating cash, and as much produce as could be purchased at almost any rate, have been remitted to England; but much of this produce lies in store here, because it will not fetch, by reason of the duties and restrictions on it, the price given for it in America. No political arrangements having been made, both the British and American merchants expected that the trade would have returned to its old channels, and nearly under the same regulations, found by long experience to be beneficial; but they have been disappointed. The former have made advances, and the latter contracted debts, both depending upon remittances in the usual articles, and upon the ancient terms, but both have found themselves mistaken, and it is much to be feared that the consequences will be numerous failures; Cash and bills have been chiefly remitted; neither rice, tobacco, pitch, tar, turpentine, ships, oil nor many other articles, the great sources of remittances formerly, can now be sent as heretofore, because of restrictions and imports, which are now in this commerce, and destructive of it; and the trade with the British West India Islands, formerly a vast source of remittance, is at present obstructed. * * * * * * * There is a literal impossibility, my lord, that the commerce between the two countries can continue long to the advantage of either upon the present footing." He continues, that these evils will increase, and asserts that it is the desire of the United States to be on good terms commercially with England, and not be driven to other markets with their goods, and he closes by proposing the arrangement of a treaty of commerce between the two countries.

It would be interesting, though not necessary in this connection, to follow the negotiations through each step; to see how the English administration felt compelled to cater to those who upheld the British navigation laws; to see how jealousy of our incipient naval power procrastinated the treaty which it was inevitable must come; to see how self-confident and secure the English felt that our trade must unavoidably come to them; to see, how, an attempt was made to throw the influence of Ireland against America by ostentatious concessions; but those things can be more satisfactorily learned from the diplomatic correspondence of the day.

(*To be continued.*)

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Jamestown and Newport Steam Ferry Time Table.

ON AND AFTER MONDAY, February 8, 1886, until further notice, the steamer JAMESTOWN, Capt. P. H. Amherst, will run as follows:

Leave Jamestown 6.15, 8.15, 11.00 A. M., 1.30, 3.30, 5.30 P. M.
Leave Newport, 7.00, 9.45 A. M., 12.00 M., 2.45, 4.15, 6.15 P. M., or on arrival of Providence boat, Saturdays only.

SUNDAYS.

Leave Jamestown 9.30 A. M., 4.00 P. M.
Leave Newport 10.15 A. M., 4.30 P. M.

Old Colony Railroad.

ON and after Monday, October 12, 1885, trains leave **Newport** for **Boston** 7.35, 10.20 A. M., 2.55, 4.30 P. M. RETURN, 8.30, 11.40 A. M., 3.40, 4.45, *6.00 P. M. Trains from Boston are due at Newport at 11.15 A. M., 2.20, 6.05, 8.10 P. M. **For Portsmouth Grove**, †7.35, †7.45, †10.20 A. M., 12.55 P. M. RETURN, 10.10, †10.03, A. M., †2.06, †5.52, †7.48 P. M. **For Coal Mines**, 7.35, 7.45, 10.20 A. M., 2.55 P. M. RETURN, 9.03, 10.58 A. M., 2.01, 5.47, 7.37 P. M. **Bristol Ferry**, 7.35, 7.45, 10.20 A. M., 2.55, 4.30 P. M. RETURN, 9.00, 10.51 A. M. 1.56, 5.42, 7.25 P. M. **Tiverton**, 7.35, 7.45, 10.20 A. M. 2.55, 4.30 P. M. RETURN, 8.55, 10.49 A. M., 1.50, 5.37, 7.13 P. M. **Fall River**, 7.35, 7.45, 10.20 A. M., 2.55, 4.30 P. M. RETURN, 8.45, 10.38 A. M., 1.40, 5.28, 6.53 P. M. **Taunton**, 7.35, 10.20 A. M., 2.55, 4.30 P. M. RETURN, (Central Station) 7.45, 9.51 A. M., 1.00, 5.05, *6.52 P. M.; (Dean Street), 4.45 P. M. **Middleboro**, 7.35, 10.20 A. M. 2.55, 4.30 P. M. RETURN, 6.46 A. M., 3.35, 5.20, *6.09 P. M. **Cape Cod**, 7.35 A. M., 2.55 P. M. **Plymouth**, 2.55 P. M. **New Bedford**, 7.35, 10.20 A. M., 2.55, 4.30 P. M.; Return [Pearl Street] 5.00, 9.00, 10.55 A. M., 3.35, 5.00 P. M. **Providence**, 7.45, 10.20 A. M. 4.30 P. M. RETURN, 7.35, 9.38 A. M., 12.40, 4.15 P. M. **Lowell**, 7.35 A. M. 2.55 P. M. **Fitchburg**, and stations on Northern Division, 7.35, 10.20 A. M., 3.55 P. M. **Oak Bluffs**, 7.35 A. M. **Nantucket**, 7.35 A. M. Sunday trains leave **Newport** for **Tiverton, Fall River, Taunton, Middleboro, Bridgewater, Brockton** and **Boston** 4.30 P. M.

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1:16 P. M.—Connecting with 8:00 A. M., from New York, New Haven, and 11:50 from New London, also with 12:30 from Providence, arriving at Newport at 2:35 P. M.

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Every person and body corporate liable to taxation in the premises, is hereby notified and required to bring in to said assessors, within the time or times, and at the place of the meeting and session of the said assessors as above designated, a true and exact account of all his ratable estate, describing and specifying the value of every parcel of his real and personal estate.

The Public Statutes of Rhode Island provide that "every person bringing in any such account, shall make oath before some one of the assessors, that the account by him exhibited contains to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true and full account and valuation of all his ratable estate, **AND WHOSOEVER NEGLECTS OR REFUSES TO BRING IN SUCH ACCOUNT, IF OVERTAXED SHALL HAVE NO REMEDY THEREFOR.**" Executors, Administrators, Guardians and Trustees are hereby notified that all the foregoing applies to them and to trust estates as well as to other persons and property.

JOHN J. PECKHAM,
CHARLES H. BURDICK, } Assessors.
JAMES G. TOPHAM,
Newport, January 21, 1886. 1-23

Court of Probate, City of Newport, }
February 8, 1886. }

HARRIET H. ARMSTRONG and WILLIAM A. ARMSTRONG. Executors of the last will and testament of
GEORGE A. ARMSTRONG,
late of Newport, deceased, present their account of administration on the estate of said deceased, and pray that the same may be examined, allowed and recorded.

It is ordered that the consideration of said account be referred to Monday, the 1st day of March, 1886, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Office in the City Hall, Newport, and that notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by advertisement in the *Newport Mercury*, once a week at least, for fourteen days.

ALEX. N. BARKER,
2-13 Probate Clerk.

Court of Probate, City of Newport, }
February, 8, 1886. }

ON THE PETITION, in writing of Ruth C. Crandall, presented this day, praying that an instrument in writing presented therewith, purporting to be the last will and testament of
WILLIAM E. CRANDALL,
late of Newport, deceased, may be proved, approved, allowed and recorded, and that letters testamentary on the estate of said deceased may be granted to her, the Executrix named therein:

It is ordered that the consideration of said petition be referred to Monday, the 1st day of March, 1886, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Office in the City Hall, Newport, and that notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by advertisement in the *Newport Mercury*, once a week at least for fourteen days.

ALEX. N. BARKER,
2-13 Probate Clerk.

Court of Probate, City of Newport, }
February 8, 1886. }

SAMUEL STERNE, administrator on the estate of
WILLIAM T. BOWLER,
late of Newport, deceased, presents his final account of administration on said estate, and prays that the same may be examined, allowed and recorded.

It is ordered that the consideration of said account be referred to Monday, the 1st day of March, 1886, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Office in the City Hall, Newport, and that notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by advertisement in the *Newport Mercury*, once a week at least, for fourteen days.

ALEX. N. BARKER,
2-13 Probate Clerk.

Court of Probate, City of Newport, }
February 1, A. D. 1886. }

WILLIAM H. SHERMAN, Executor of the last will and testament of
CHRISTOPHER TOWNSEND,
late of Newport, deceased, presents his annual account of administration on the estate of said deceased, and prays that the same may be examined, allowed and recorded.

It is ordered that the consideration of said account be referred to Tuesday, the 23d day of February, 1886, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Office in the City Hall, Newport, and that notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by advertisement in the *Newport Mercury*, once a week at least, for fourteen days.

ALEX. N. BARKER,
2-6 Probate Clerk.

Office of the Probate Clerk of the }
City of Newport, in Rhode Island, }
February 2, A. D. 1886. }

HANNAH C. PAUL, of the city of Philadelphia in Pennsylvania, and Charles R. Dahlgren, of the city of Trenton in New Jersey, having this day filed in this office their petition, in writing, to the Court of Probate, of said city, praying that letters of administration on the estate of
SALLIE CRESSON LAWRENCE,
late of Newport, deceased, intestate, may be granted to James W. Paul; and said petitioners having applied to me to give notice thereof by advertising in the *Newport Mercury*.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested, that said petition will be considered at the Court of Probate to be holden on Tuesday, the 23d day of February, A. D. 1886, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Office in the City Hall in said Newport.

ALEX. N. BARKER,
2-6 Probate Clerk.

Office of the Probate Clerk of the }
City of Newport, in Rhode Island, }
February 4, A. D. 1886. }

JOHN S. COGGESHALL, having this day filed in this office his petition in writing to the Court of Probate, of said Newport, praying that an instrument in writing, presented therewith, purporting to be the last Will and estament with codicil thereto of
ELLEN TOWNSEND,
late of Newport, deceased, may be proved, approved, allowed and recorded, and that letters testamentary on the estate of said deceased may be granted to him the Executor named therein; and said petitioner having applied to me to give notice thereof by advertising in the *Newport Mercury*,

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested, that said petition will be considered at the Court of Probate to be holden on Tuesday, the 23d day of February, A. D. 1886, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Office in the City Hall in said Newport.

ALEX. N. BARKER,
2-6 Probate Clerk.

Court of Probate, City of Newport, }
February 1, A. D. 1886. }

ON THE PETITION, in writing, of George F. Merritt presented this day, praying that an instrument in writing presented therewith, purporting to be the last will and testament of
HENRY N. MERRITT,
late of Newport, deceased, may be proved, approved, allowed and recorded, and that letters testamentary on the estate of said deceased may be granted to him, the Executor named therein:

It is ordered that the consideration of said petition be referred to Tuesday, the 23d day of February, 1886, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Office, in the City Hall, Newport, and that notice thereof be given to all persons interested by advertisement in the *Newport Mercury* once a week at least for fourteen days.

ALEX. N. BARKER,
2-6 Probate Clerk.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE.

WE, THE SUBSCRIBERS, having been appointed by the Honorable, the Court of Probate of the City of Newport, in Rhode Island, Commissioners to receive and examine the claims of the several creditors against the estate of JOHN HAYES, late of said Newport, deceased, represented insolvent, do hereby give notice that six months from the 1st day of February, A. D. 1886, are allowed to the creditors of said estate to bring in their claims and prove their debts, and that the 1st day of June, the 1st day of July, and the 2d day of August, A. D. 1886, at 3 o'clock P. M. on each of said days, and the store of Francis Stanhope No. 10 Broadway, in said Newport, are appointed by us the times and place to attend the said creditors for the receiving of their claims.

LEWIS L. SIMMONS,
FRANCIS STANHOPE, } Comm'rs.
THOMAS S. BURDICK,
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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

THE SUBSCRIBER, having been appointed by the Honorable Court of Probate of Tiverton, Administrator with will annexed, on the estate of SARAH G. CRANDALL, late of Tiverton, deceased, and having been qualified according to law, requests all persons having demands to present them, and those indebted to make payment to him.

GEORGE N. DURFEE,
2-13 Administrator with will annexed.

Legal Notices.

CITY OF NEWPORT.

An Ordinance in amendment of Section 13 of Chapter 15 of an Ordinance comprising the ordinances of the City of Newport.

It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Newport, as follows:

SECTION 1. Said section 13 of said Chapter 15 is hereby amended by striking out therefrom the words "All fees and penalties, including witness fees in all criminal cases and complaints, and in all cases in which the city is a party, received by any member of the police force, shall be paid by such member into the city treasury," and substituting for the words so stricken out, the words "All penalties and all fees on complaints for violation of city ordinances, and in cases in which the city is a party, received by any policeman, shall be paid by such policeman into the City Treasury."

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately.

[Passed February 2, 1886.]
A true copy: Attest,
WILLIAM G. STEVENS,
2-6-3w City Clerk.

Court of Probate, City of Newport, }
February 1, A. D. 1886. }

ON THE PETITION in writing of T. Fred Knall, presented this day, praying that an instrument in writing presented therewith, purporting to be the last will and testament of
JOHN HAZARD WATSON,
late of Newport, deceased, may be proved, approved, allowed and recorded, and that letters testamentary on the estate of said deceased may be granted to him, the Executor named therein:

It is ordered that the consideration of said petition be referred to Tuesday, the 23d day of February, 1886, at 10 o'clock A. M. at the Probate Office, in the City Hall, Newport, and that notice thereof be given to all persons interested by advertisement in the *Newport Mercury*, once a week at least, for fourteen days.

ALEX. N. BARKER,
2-6 Probate Clerk.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

THE SUBSCRIBER having been appointed by the Honorable Court of Probate of Newport, administrator on the estate in Rhode Island, of HANNAH MINNIMAN, late of Philadelphia, deceased, and having been qualified according to law, requests all persons having demands against said estate to present them, and all indebted to make payment to him.

LEMUEL H. FOSTER,
Administrator.
Newport, February 13, 1886.

GUARDIAN'S NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED having been appointed and qualified to act as Guardian of the person and estate of MARGUERITE BOURN MACOMBER, minor child of herself and the late William P. Macomber, hereby gives notice of her said appointment, and requests persons having claims against said minor to present them for settlement.

MARY H. MACOMBER,
Portsmouth, Jan. 16, 1886. Guardian.

GUARDIAN'S NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED having been duly appointed by the Honorable Court of Probate of the City of Newport, guardian of the person and estate of MARY DEAN ANDERSON, minor, of Newport, hereby gives notice to all persons having claims against said estate to present them within six months from the date hereof, and those indebted to make payment to him.

GORTON ANDERSON,
Guardian,
Newport, February 6, 1886.

GUARDIAN'S NOTICE.

THE UNDERSIGNED having been duly appointed by the Hon. Court of Probate of the City of Newport, guardian of the person and estate of HERBERT W. LANGLEY, of full age, of Newport, hereby gives notice to all persons having claims against the said estate to present them within six months from the date hereof, and those indebted to make payment to him.

JOB T. LANGLEY,
Guardian.
Newport, January 23, 1886.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

THE SUBSCRIBER, having been appointed by the Honorable Court of Probate, of Tiverton, Administrator with will annexed on the estate of SALLY WILCOX, late of Tiverton, deceased, and having been qualified according to law, requests all persons having demands to present them, and all indebted to make payment to him.

HOLDER N. WILCOX,
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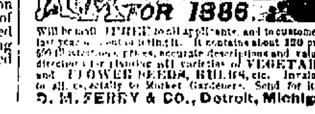

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Miscellaneous.

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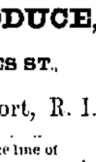

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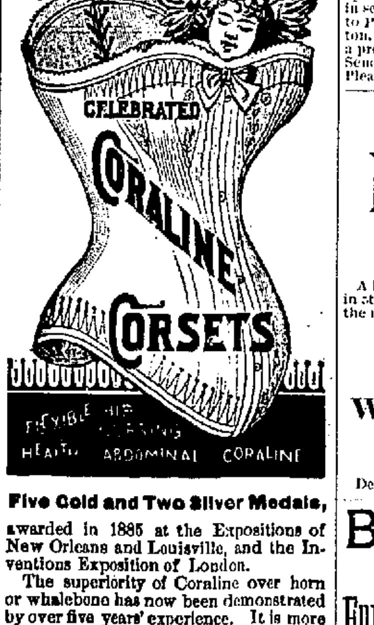

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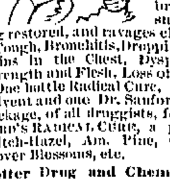

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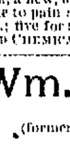

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For the Children.

That Boy.

Is the house turned topsy-turvy?
Does it ring from street to roof?
Will the racket still continue
Spite of all your mild reproof?
Are you often in a flutter?
Are you sometimes thrilled with joy?
Then I have my grave suspicions
That you have at home—that boy.

Are the walls and tables hammered?
Are your nerves and ink upset?
Have two eyes so bright and roguish
Made you every care forget?
Have your garden beds a prowler
Who delights but to destroy?
These are well-known indications
That you have at home—that boy.

Have you seen him playing circus—
With his head upon the mat,
And his heels in mid-air twirling—
For his audience, the cat?
Do you ever stop to listen,
When his merry pranks annoy—
Listen to a voice that whispers,
You were once just like—that boy?

Have you heard of broken windows,
And with nobody to blame?
Have you seen a trousered urchin
Quite unconscious of the same?
Do you love a teasing mixture
Of perplexity and joy?
You may have a dozen daughters,
But I know you've got—that boy.

A Poem for the Children.

Over the snow, over the snow,
Hiperty-hop the birdies go;
Looking for something or other to eat,
Busily chattering "Tweet, tweet, tweet!"
Throw them some crumbs, little children, do;
Grateful indeed will they be to you!

Very soon, up in many a tree,
Little birds busy at work you'll see,
Building their nests of straw or hay,
Picked up here and there by the way;
Hither and thither, low and high,
Back and forth they merrily fly.

While on the nests, with sheltering care,
The mother birdies sit patiently there;—
Swinging on branch from tree to tree,
Thanking you with sweet melody.
—Boston Record.

What it was that Woke Rob Barkham Up.

"Oh-h-h!"

It was Rob Barkham, whose big eyes made you think of soup-plates, and his mouth, now open in wonder, suggested a third. "Soup-plates!" Very little soup or food of any kind had Rob tasted in the last twenty-four hours, but just now, under the sign, "J. Blodgett, Birds Mounted and Animals Stuffed," he saw such a wonderful sight that it almost made him forget his hunger.

"Pij-jins, see 'em! Can stand all day, and a whole year, I guess, too, on one leg!" exclaimed Rob. "Ducks, owls—don't know what the next be—squirrels, and oh, my! Don't I wish I could get in at that door?"

Looking in past the door half-open, he saw a deer that turned soft, staring big eyes toward him, and a fox with its sharp little nose, and an old brown bear that had such a surly, ugly look. A boy's curiosity can't stand everything. It was too much to expect that Rob would stay outside this shop. Stealing forward into this marvelous collection, conscious that a hundred birds, fifty squirrels, several deer, a dog, a lamb, two monkeys and the above brown bear directed strange looks of wonder at this invader who dared face them in their seclusion. Seclusion? Who was it that bobbed up quick as a Jack-in-a-box and scowled across a counter? A funny old man, carrying in one hand a swan, sightless now, but in a minute to be supplied with as fine a pair of glass eyes as could be bought in all Chicago.

Rob started. He did not expect to see this wonderful menagerie. His heart beat wildly. He felt cold, hungry, wretched. An air of business returned to him. He was no longer Robert Barkham, the sight-seer and boy of leisure, but Robert the place hunter and a boy of business, who did so want to find somebody who would hire and give him a job.

"Who—who—what—you want?" demanded the old man with a fierce air.

"Could—could—you give me something to do?" asked Rob in hoarse, solemn tones.

The old man shook his head and Rob hurried to the door. How disdainfully looked bird and beast!

"Can you stick a swan's eye in?" shouted the old man, following Rob to the door.

His boy heart leaped up in hope. Could he? His heart went down. Oh, no, he couldn't! Once he made a mistake and put out the cat's eye with a stick. Alas! that cat's eye never went in again, and what could he or any boy be expected to do with a swan's eye? Rob shook his head and murmured:

"N-n-n-o, sir."

"Humph!" muttered old Mr. Blodgett. "How did ye expect ye could without larnin'? You come in this way, and let me see what you can do."

Rob did not see the old man's face. He only saw the back part of his head as he preceded Rob. The old gentleman was very bald, and Rob was thinking if nose and mouth and eyes were marked on the back of his head how stern he would look. If Rob could have seen the other side of his head! Just the pleasantest face in the world! Old Jonathan Blodgett was saying to himself:

"I ought not to have scared the little fellow so, jumpin' up behind that counter at that rate. Dear me! To see how his face changed! I wonder when 'old Blodgett' will stop bein' a boy! Never, Mr. Blodgett, never!"

"Do you think you can give a swan an eye, if I give you one to start with, a good glass eye, say?" asked the old man. The problem of the swan's eye was now different.

"Might try," said Rob, timidly, hardly daring to hope.

Jonathan Blodgett watched the slender, little fingers, with their quick movement, as they inserted the bit of glass and gave the swan his sight, such as it was.

"I'll try you for a week," said the old man.

Oh, such joy as that occasioned in the Barkham household! They were so straitened in their circumstances that food had been given out by the crumb-measure. On the strength of Rob's good luck Mother Barkham sent out at once and engaged of the butcher a big mutton-bone for broth. At the end of a week Rob was established in Jonathan Blodgett's employ, and soon made nothing of making even a dead bear's eyes look as lively as a bruin's running in the woods.

"I like my new boy," thought Jonathan. "If he jest proves to be honest!"

Honest? He meant to be. He was tempted one day. Rob's old pants would tear in the knees. In a week his mother intended to buy new ones. But he did want them at once, and a dollar would place on those troublesome knees a new covering. One evening, while doing extra work, furnishing several owls, eagles and canary birds with eyes, he chanced to see a dollar on the bench near him.

"Take me!" the dollar seemed to say. How Rob did want that dollar. He was firm though.

"No!" he said, resolutely, gaping at the same time, for he was very tired.

"Take me!"

"N-n-o!" replied Rob, nodding now. In a little while, though, he began to waver.

"I'll take a peek at that dollar," he softly said, rising for a closer view; "I'll just feel of it," he concluded. How nice the feeling of that powerful dollar!

"I'll—I'll—"

Here, what an outcry was raised by all that bewildering crowd of birds and beasts in the shop! A hen began to squawk, a duck to quack, a goose to hiss, a monkey to angrily chatter, a lamb to bleat in terror, a watch-dog to bark, while the bear growled and scowled, looking as if he would make a mouthful of the thief. In addition to all this, a voice was shouting, "Rob!" It sounded like a dreadful voice.

Rob opened his eyes, and there was old Mr. Blodgett, not thundering in terror but saying pleasantly:

"Guess you got asleep, Rob. I must not keep you longer. Ah, there is a dollar I left on the bench. I am glad to see, Rob, that you are honest. I ought to give you suthin' for extra work, and I won't keep you waiting for the extra pay till payday. You take this now."

Oh, the delighted Rob!

Before another night came those troublesome knees were duly shingled.
—[Rev. Edward A Rand, in the Interior.

Miss Mouseworth.

"A hundred thousand dollars, girls!" said Hetty Pensdale. "It's worth trying for."

Pauline Smyth drew a long breath. Oh, the dresses, the jewels, the fine fripperies she could indulge in on $100,000! And Judith Pease came nearer with a glitter in her garnet-brown eyes.

"I suppose Aunt Priscilla never means to die," observed she with a shrug of her pretty white shoulders. "She must be 70 at the least."

"Sixty-three," said Hetty, with the dismay wherewith 16 regards threescore and three. "But, dear me! she'll live to be 100 at the very least. The Mouseworths are all a long-lived family."

Hetty, Paulina and Judith were cousins and orphans. Hetty copied for lawyers, Paulina did "a little dressmaking," and Judith Pease bore the whims and caprices of a rich relation who needed somebody to keep her company.

And with all this they had an aunt worth $100,000.

But even Achilles had a vulnerable spot, and who was Aunt Priscilla Mouseworth that she should be better than the fabled hero? Judith Pease had discovered the weak place.

"I mean to be her heiress yet," said she.

"But how?" chorused the other girls.

"Oh, you'll see."

For Judith had perceived that Aunt Priscilla was "benevolent." But first in her affections towered the "Home for Ancient Apple-Venders and Resort for Penniless Peanut-Girls."

"Judith, my dear," said Aunt Priscilla, "you seem really to have this enterprise at heart."

"It's the noblest charity I ever heard of," sighed Judith, in her most melting tones.

"You speak wisely, child," said Aunt Priscilla, patting her niece's hand. "What I have to propose is this: That you leave Mrs. Wyllys Wylloughby and come to live with me; and think how useful you could make yourself to the society!"

"Oh, Aunt," said Judith, "I could wish no greater boon—no higher object in life."

Hetty over her legal cap and Paulina with needle and silk felt that their wily relative was outgeneraling them.

"Judith," said Aunt Mouseworth, one day, "If it wasn't for the Ancient Apples and Penniless Peanuts I'd almost feel like adopting you."

"I ask no higher sphere, dear aunt, than that which I am now privileged to move," said she softly. "Only let me be useful to you. The poor applewoman the dear little barefooted peanut girls are more, far more to me than myself."

"Do you really feel that way, Judith?"

"Dearest Aunt Priscilla, can you doubt me?"

"Well," said she, "we'll see, my dear; we'll see."

The next day Miss Mouseworth went out alone and returned early. Hetty Pensdale was sitting with her niece, when she bounced into the parlor.

"I've done it Judith," said she rubbing her shabbily gloved hands.

"Done what, Aunt Priscilla?"

"Made over all my fortune to the apples and peanuts! I've been thinking of it for some time! And, now, girls, I'm as poor as yourselves! My time can be given uninterruptedly to the mission!"

"Then, aunt," said Judith, "you're the biggest fool in New York city! And I, for one, wash my hands of the whole idiotic affair. What possessed you to fling your money on such—a—a pack of impostors? How dared you so to delude and deceive me?"

But Aunt Priscilla put forth her hand in a blind, wandering way to catch her niece's dress.

"Going Judith? To leave me?"

Judith shook off the feeble grasp.

"When I came to live with you I supposed you had at least common sense," retorted she. "I have been deceived. I'm going back to Mrs. Wylloughby now."

"Judith," cried out impulsive Hetty, "you ought to be ashamed of yourself! Don't mind her, Aunt Priscilla. I'll stay with you. I can easily earn enough money, now I've got the Prink & Seebury business, for both of us, and you can visit around among the societies where you please."

"My dear, you're a good girl," said Miss Mouseworth, patting Hetty's curly head. "But let me understand—was it money, and my money alone, that Judith thought of when she came here?"

"What else did you suppose it was?" insolently questioned the girl. "Did you think yourself so attractive that—"

"Ah!" said Aunt Priscilla. "I'm glad I comprehend the whole thing. Hetty will stay with me. Hetty won't leave the old woman."

"Not unless you send me away, aunt," said the little law copyist.

So Judith swept away in the dusk of the winter evening. Aunt Priscilla looked after her with a sly chuckle.

"Won't she be angry," she said, "when she finds out it's all a hoax!"

"A hoax, Aunt Priscilla?"

"About the apple-woman and peanut girls. I dare say they will get some of my money in time, but they haven't got it yet. Judith shouldn't have thrown up her cards quite so precipitately. Give me a kiss, Hester."

And when she died, just six months afterward, not in her bed, like other people, but sitting bolt upright in her chair, with her best cap on, she left her $100,000 to Hetty Pensdale.

The Family Circle.

A countryman and his bride applied at the boxoffice for tickets. "Orchestra chair, parquette, or family circle?" asked the ticket-seller. "Which'll it be, Maria?" asked the groom. "Well," she replied, with a blush, "as we're married now, p'rhaps it would be proper to sit in the family circle."—[Nashville American.

KNOW THYSELF, by reading the "Science of Life," the best medical work ever published, for young and middle-aged men.

The Mercury.

JOHN P. SANBORN, Editor and Proprietor.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20, '86.

It is thought that the Fitz John Porter bill will pass both branches of Congress without serious opposition. It passed the House Thursday.

Attorney General Garland proposes to stick. His ownership of telephone stock which possess no intrinsic value he thinks should not send him out in the cold.

In South Carolina a man has just been paid for a slave sold in 1859, and on the jury which awarded him the verdict was a colored man. What a change from twenty-seven years ago.

Ex-Governor Horatio Seymour of New York died on Saturday last after a long illness. Gov. Seymour had long been one of the leading men of the Empire State and was deservedly popular among men of all parties.

The primary cause of nearly one third of all the fires in the United States during the year 1885 was incendiaries. Defective flues take about one-eighth, explosion of lamps one-sixteenth, matches and lighting the same. A large number of causes take the rest.

The investigation of the method by which the Broadway horse railroad in New York was obtained, makes lively reading. Five of the members of last year's board of aldermen cannot be found, which would indicate that they know more about said methods than they care to tell.

Our exports of breadstuffs for January amounted to but $9,407,315, compared with $17,872,413 a year ago, and for seven months past they aggregated $62,406,047, a loss of $35,166,873 from the year before. The heaviest losses are in wheat, which for the seven months fell off from 62,000,000 to 24,000,000 bushels, while the export of flour, compared with last year, was thirty per cent. less. Exports of Indian corn increased, but not enough to offset the losses in wheat.

The New Hampshire insurance law works well in one respect. The insurance companies declared that under its workings incendiarism would increase. Instead however, the number of fires since the law went into operation has decreased 60 per cent. The people are getting all the insurance they need, and the money has been kept within the state instead of being paid out to foreign insurance companies. It is said that not a corporal's guard could now be obtained to vote to re-enact the old law.

N. Y. Evening Post:—The venerable George Bancroft, historian, statesman and diplomatist, in a pamphlet just issued by the Harpers, has veritably put the Supreme Court to the sword. We can recall nothing in controversial literature more crushing than his historical refutation of all the grounds upon which the last legal tender decision of that tribunal was made. After reading Mr. Bancroft's argument, the conclusion becomes irresistible in every reflecting mind that that decision must be reversed.

The flood of the latter part of last week and early part of this was the most severe and disastrous ever known in Southern New England. The railroads everywhere suffered extensive washouts and travel has been impeded the entire week. It will take weeks yet before things are back to their normal condition. The Old Colony has suffered from washouts at Tiverton, Dighton, Taunton, Braintree and Assonet, with some minor damages at other places.—At Assonet, an entire train of freight cars was dumped into the river, and the engine still remains there.

The city of Taunton was nearly all under water on Sunday last as also was the village of Westerly in this State. The Southwestern part of Rhode Island was cut off from railroad communication from the outside world till Thursday of this week. The loss of property will amount to millions of dollars in this State, Massachusetts and Connecticut.

In the General Assembly on Tuesday Senator Bull of Middletown introduced a bill in reference to the Stone Bridge which was referred to the committee on the judiciary. It provides that the town of Little Compton shall pay three thirtieths, Tiverton and Portsmouth each six thirtieths, Middletown one thirtieth and Newport fourteen thirtieths. When the expense of the bridge shall exceed five hundred dollars in any year the excess shall be paid by the state. The committee gave a hearing Tuesday afternoon when Mr. George A. Brown of Middletown appeared and argued the case in behalf of his town claiming that Middletown was paying more than her share as she was in no way benefited by the bridge. Mr. City Solicitor Peckham of Newport took the ground that the compact was made by the several towns above mentioned to each pay one fifth of the expense of maintaining the bridge and that this compact should not be broken. Another hearing on the subject will be had on Thursday next.

On Wednesday, resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Senator Burrington were offered by his successor, Senator Wolcott of Barrington. Remarks were made by Senators Wolcott, Chase, Gregory, Spooner, Sanborn, Hall, Bliss, Page, Olney and Ballou. The resolutions were passed by a unanimous vote. Bills were introduced to incorporate the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Division No. 1, Newport, and to reimburse Charles Bickerton for fine paid for non-attendance at jury duty.

The house of representatives on Friday of last week passed the bill appropriating eight hundred dollars to each of the four agricultural societies in the state.

Fort Green for a Public Park.

A Washington special to the Providence Journal says: The report of General Hawley, from the Senate military committee in favor of a bill to authorize the city of Newport to use the site of Fort Greene as a public park, contains the two letters in favor of the plan submitted to the last Congress by General Newton and Colonel Elliott, engineers. Both still agree to the proposition. Colonel Elliott's conclusion, approved by General Newton, is as follows: While the site of Fort Greene would not now be selected for defensive purposes, and the work itself is not suited to the heavy guns of modern times, yet in case of an emergency in the present state of the fortifications between Newport and the sea by raising slightly the parapet of the work and thickening it by embanking upon the terraplin, the parade would furnish good emplacements for heavy rifled mortars to be used in co-operation with temporary works on the site of Fort Hamilton, Rose Island and on Conasters' Harbor Island in the defence of Newport Harbor in case the enemy should succeed in getting past the lower defences, or in case he should force the western passage into Narragansett Bay as was done during the war of the Revolution by Sir Peter Parker with the British fleet, and again by the Count d'Estaing with the French fleet, and come down from the North upon Newport and the rear of the main works commanding the middle passage. It seems, therefore, that Fort Greene has sufficient both of military value and of historical interest to warrant the retention of the work by the United States certainly for the present, and I am of the opinion that it should not be sold, but should be turned over to the city of Newport for use as a public park, as contemplated in the resolution of the Senate, to be retained by the city during the pleasure of the Secretary of War, under the conditions that are now contained in the lease, except the payment of rent to the United States.

On Saturday 150 delegates to what was dignified by the name of an "anti-Chinese congress" met in Portland, Ore., and decided that the Mongolian must go. "Peaceable means" alone were recommended to be employed to get rid of him; but, as the late proceedings in Tacoma and Seattle were defined as "peaceable," the character of the means advised is a little doubtful. Anything short of a bullet or dynamite will probably be considered satisfactory. The "congress," says the Boston Advertiser, showed its appreciation of truely elevated statesmanship by voting to request General Butler to act as the people's advocate in furthering the impeachment of the governor of Washington Territory for daring to proclaim martial law in Seattle. These friends of white labor are, apparently, ignorant of the fact that General Butler no longer appears in his old role of the people's friend.

The business outlook, while not as favorable as could be desired, still shows some improvement. The bank transactions continue to be large, exceeding by from 30 to 50 per cent. that of a year ago, and approaching closely to the mark of '83 and '84. Manufactures are able to accede to requests for an advance of wages in several industries, and prices of all staples are well maintained. At various points in the South and West business is reported to be increasing, and in all quarters there is a feeling of hopefulness regarding the spring trade. The number of commercial failures throughout the country last week was sixty-one fewer than in the previous week and forty-six fewer than in the corresponding week of the last year.

Montreal has a social scandal that has caused some excitement. A prominent broker, the story goes, received over $12,000 to place for a friend. Between $2000 and $3000 of this amount he lost at poker. He then returned home. His wife, who had long been aware of her husband's passion for gambling, fearing by his excited manner that he had again been losing heavily, searched his pockets as soon as he retired, and appropriated the rest of the money, amounting to some $10,000. The husband, when he discovered this, flew into a passion and began smashing the furniture. The wife, however, refused to part with the money until her husband was in a calmer state of mind. Friends are seeking an amicable settlement of the affair.

Senator Logan is reported as having a novel in press, shortly to be issued. The advantages of the United States senate as a school of fiction have perhaps been underrated, and we may not be surprised some day to receive a light acting comedy from Mr. Evarts, or society verses from Senator Morrill of Vermont.

The most remarkable baptism on record was that performed by Rev. J. B. Austin, of Sulphur Springs Circuit, Buncombe County, N. C. He baptized a young woman who had been dead two days. She was in a coffin, and the family was gathered about the body. Mr Austin officially reports the fact which occurred within a few miles of Asheville.

The farmers' movement in Nebraska, under the leadership of the Farmers' Alliance, has caused quite a revolution in political affairs, and made the anti-monopoly railroad issue prominent enough to compel both republican and democratic conventions to pledge themselves in favor of remedial legislation.

The enactment of a new game law for the protection of deer in the Adirondack forests has followed closely the return of the Rev. W. H. H. Murray to this country. Mr. Murray has killed more Adirondack deer on paper than any other sportsman, clerical or lay.

Unity Club.

The annual reading of anonymous essays on a subject fixed by the Club took place last Tuesday evening, under the direction of the chairman of the Culture Committee, the committee under whose arrangement all the literary work and lectures are arranged. The subject was "Dreams," and a most amusing collection of prose articles and verses was submitted, nobody knowing, but everybody privately guessing, who were the unknown writers. There was a baker's dozen of compositions, some of them bearing the marks of mature style and perfect facility in writing; others evidently the work of juniors in literary art. The entire collection, we hope, will be published, as it will well repay perusal. We cannot mention all the essays; but those that attracted most attention, were first a humorous account of a Dream introducing Touro Park and our seaside "Purgatory," with the celebrated Mephistopheles in attendance; second,—a really thrilling tale of what was found under some old ruins in Germany; third,—a short but beautiful poem of a classical character entitled "On the Lake;" fourthly a philosophical essay on the nature of dreams. The remaining two-thirds of the essays were excellent in their way, and covered all sorts of views and conjectures about that mysterious mental condition, which, though only nebulous as dreaming, becomes reality, life, and action when freed from the incoherance thrown around it by sleep. The papers were effectively read by Mr. Taylor, Dr. Squire and Dr. Brackett; and the very large audience assembled to hear them, quite filled the Channing Parlors. Our young folks in Newport are certainly not having a dull winter of it, this year, in their literary life and activity.

Two Birds with One Stone.

Judson James (colored) and Robert Pengally, who have been wanted here by the police for several days, the former for the larceny of $35 from Preston White and the latter for assault, were brought down from Providence yesterday. They had been taken from a low ranch on Oliver Street where a severe cutting affair had taken place the night before and were being held as witnesses. Recognizing James as the man wanted here the Providence authorities notified the Newport authorities early Thursday morning, but owing to some mistake the telegram was thought to have come from Taunton and Sergeant Gillen went to that city Thursday for his man. Subsequently, on discovering the mistake, an officer was sent to Providence and it was when looking through the cells there that the officer discovered Pengally.

Water on Dried Fruits.

Some New York jobbers have lately claimed that in the shipment of dried blackberries to the west, it was necessary and legal to apply a certain amount of water and molasses to the berries in transit. The west is the market for enormous quantities of dried blackberries, Chicago alone handling about two millions of pounds per year. A Chicago firm of wholesale operators, Sprague, Warner & Co., refused to make payment on the purchase from A. C. & W. E. Worth, jobbers in New York, until they received allowance for water thus applied. In the United States Circuit Court in Brooklyn yesterday the jury under the charge of Judge Wallace allowed as a credit to the Chicago firm the estimate fixed by their manager as to the decrease in value from water thus applied. As claimed by the counsel, Messrs. Peckham & Tyler, Judge Wallace also held that the refusal to return the goods did not prevent the allowance of their damages to the Chicago firm.—[New York Journal of Commerce.

Fire steamer No. 7 was kept at work Sunday and Monday pumping the water from the cellar of J. M. Hodgson's greenhouses on Bellevue avenue. The water had come in to such a depth that the fires had been extinguished and but for the mildness of the weather great damage would have been done. The cellar from which the water was pumped being the lowest point the contents of the other cellars drained into it, so that in pumping this one dry cleared them all. During the early part of the pumping, water came in at the rate of four inches in ten minutes.

The Odd Fellows of Chicago are about to apply to the secretary of state for a charter to organize a stock company to build a temple to accommodate the Sovereign Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of Illinois and as many lodges of Chicago as possible. The Sovereign Grand Lodge, which is the head of the order in the world, has been located in the city of Baltimore since 1820. It is in contemplation to erect a building which shall cost not less than $500,000.

Queer verdicts in the New York court of common pleas have created remark during the past winter, with no assignable cause until a juryman, last week, confessed to Judge Daly that the atmosphere of the jury room was so intolerable that they usually agreed without discussion so as to be let out.

John B. Gough, the great temperance lecturer, died on Thursday. He was stricken with paralysis on Wednesday evening while delivering a temperance lecture, and never rallied therefrom. He was one of the most noted speakers in the country and his death will be a great loss to the nation.

Experience Taught Me!

And my money paid for it. After having Liver Complaint four years, and spending money on nostrums and doctors who didn't help me, I tried Sulphur bitters. Six bottles cured me. I shall always use them.—*G. N. Butler, Ashers, N. Y.*

Says the St. Louis Republican:—Some time the battle of Dorking must be fought. Some time England will be put upon defence of her title to the sovereignty of the world. Britannia rules the wave—if the torpedo boats are not a match for the ironclad. Russia is reaching for India. Germany means to have Africa and the South Seas. Italy longs for Egypt. Austria is tired of British interference in the Balkans. Gibraltar is a thorn in the side of Spain. Clouds are rising along the whole horizon charged with electricity, dark and lowering, and they already overshadow English diplomacy. It is not a time for a domestic convulsion. Ireland, pacified, free and prosperous, would be an ally, not a foe. Her sons could be counted upon to do their full part to keep "the Silver Streak" against the world. But Ireland, fired with the hot sense of wrong that has alternately smouldered and blazed for six centuries, would be a bad neighbor for a nation summoned to go into a struggle for life or death.

The U. S. S. Dispatch which left New York on the second instant for Washington, was forced to take shelter at Norfolk, Va., after an exceedingly rough passage. The captain states that it was the roughest weather that he had ever seen on the coast of that State. She was twenty miles out of her course and within a few miles of Kitty Hawk beach. The lead on being thrown only showed 27 feet of water when she should have been in water at least 200 feet deep. Had they continued on that course five minutes longer the vessel would have been beached. There are some repairs to be made to her boilers, and she will remain at Norfolk until the ice in the Potomac breaks. Her cargo consists of dynamite, torpedoes and gun-wadding.

JAMESTOWN.

PUBLIC BUSINESS.—The regular monthly meeting of the Town Council and Court of Probate was held at the Town Hall on Monday afternoon, President Thomas Watson in the chair and a full board present. The first account of Thomas C. Carr, as administrator on the estate of Peleg C. Carr, was allowed and recorded, and his account, also as guardian of the estate of George E. Hull was allowed and recorded. Accounts of Mrs. Ellen Cottrell as guardian of her four minor children were allowed and recorded. Edward B. Dickens was drawn grand juror, and John Weeden petit juror for the coming March term of the Supreme Court to convene in Newport. The Town Treasurer was instructed to deposit $500 in the Newport Savings Bank on account of the sinking fund, and the following bills were ordered to be paid: Thomas D. Wright $7.30 and Willard B. Peckham $27.01.

THE FLOODS.—The work of repairing the roads, damaged by the recent rains, is being prosecuted with commendable promptness and vigor. It is believed that an expenditure of $250 will put all the highways in as good order as they were before the flood. There is not much real damage done to private property here. It consists principally of the flooding of the cellars. The basement store of William H. Knowles was filled with water to the depth of twenty-eight inches and his stock in trade was injured to some though not to a great extent.

The turkey supper recently given at the Gardner House by the Ladies Beneficial Society netted about $40, and the amount will be paid into the treasury of that very worthy organization.

Mrs. Louise Watson, who lately fell on the ice and very badly fractured a knee pan, has the deepest sympathy of her many friends. She is quite far advanced in life, and it is feared that she will not recover the use of the limb.

A cold snap—breaking an uncle.

My friend, look here! you know how weak and nervous your wife is, and you know that Carter's Iron Pills will relieve her, now why not be fair about it and buy her a box?

The best thing out—an aching tooth.

Mrs. Chas. Smith of Jones, Ohio writes: I have used every remedy for Sick Headache I could hear of for the past fifteen years, but Carter's Little Liver Pills did me more good than all the rest.

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Every woman who suffers from Sick Headache, and who dislikes to take bitter doses, should try Carter's Little Liver Pills. They are the easiest of all medicines to take. A positive cure for the above distressing complaint; give prompt relief in Dyspepsia and Indigestion; prevent and cure Constipation and Piles. As easy to take as sugar. Only one pill a dose. 40 in a vial. Price 25 cents. If you try them you will not be without them.

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Marriages.

In this city, 17th inst., by Rev. H. N. Jeter, William Henry Spitswood and Anna Mary Henderson, both of this city.

In this city, 16th inst., by Rev. F. J. Cooper, Reuben Jackson, Jr., and Martha Ann Sarah Wheatley, both of this city.

In Portsmouth, R. I., 17th inst., by Rev. A. A. Morton, Mr. Frederick Arnold Sisson and Miss Ella Winifred Sherman, both of Portsmouth.

In Calvary Baptist Church, West 57th Street, New York, by Rev. R. McArthur, D. D., Alexander McClellan of Newport, R. I., to Mary Davies, of New York.

Deaths.

At Newport Hospital, 19th inst., George Small, of Elizabethport, N. J., aged 17 years.

In this city, 19th inst., Mary, beloved wife of John Martin.

In this city, 18th inst., Andrew Halpin, aged 84 years and 11 months.

The funeral will take place from St. Mary's church this (Saturday) afternoon, at 3 o'clock. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend.

In this city, 12th inst., Thomas Shea, aged 75 years.

In this city, 12th inst., William T. Read, son of Thomas and the late Eliza A. Read, aged 31 years.

In this city, 12th inst., George F. Merritt, in the 44th year of his age.

In this city, 13th inst., Annie, wife of Samuel Greason, in the 47th year of her age.

In Providence, 20th inst., William H. Dyer, 70; 13th, William Gardner Congdon, 68; 14th, Willard H. Joslin, 64; 14th, Jessie, wife of Edward Spencer, 42; 13th, Jane Urquhart, wife of Henry Ellis, 41; 16th, Deacon George Burr, 94; 17th, Mary C., widow of John Stone, 80;

In Cranston, 12th inst., William Gardner, in the 88th year of his age.

In Pawtucket, 16th inst., Mrs. Anna B. Wilcox, 42.

In Bolton, Mass., 12th inst., Mrs. Mary A. Cady Sisson, formerly of Providence.

In New York, 16th inst., Henry H. Taber, of Providence, aged 51 years.

PUBLIC LAWS OF RHODE ISLAND.

PASSED AT THE JANUARY SESSION, 1886.

CHAPTER 538.

AN ACT to validate certain leases of land for private oyster fishing.

[Passed February 11, 1886.]

It is enacted by the General Assembly, as follows:

SECTION 1. All instruments in writing made and executed by the Commissioners of Shell Fisheries prior to the passage of this act, in the name of the State and the other parties named therein, as and for leases of land covered by tide water, in the State, for private and several oyster fisheries, wherein more than one acre in one lot or parcel is by the terms therefore leased to one person or firm, are hereby made valid and effectual, and shall be held and taken as valid and effectual, notwithstanding the amount of land stated therein: *provided*, however, that this act shall not affect any other question that may arise as to the validity of said instruments; and provided further, that nothing herein contained shall apply to any lease of land covered by any portion of the waters of Powaget or Charlestown Pond in the town of Charlestown.

SEC. 2. This act shall take effect on and after its passage.

I certify the foregoing to be a true copy.
Witness: JOSHUA M. ADDERMAN, Secretary of State.

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	Sun rises	Sun sets	Moon rises	High water Morn	High water Eve
20 Sat	6 24	5 23	7 39	8 58	9 31
21 Sun	6 32	5 24	9 0	9 45	10 17
22 Mon	6 31	5 26	10 16	10 34	11 07
23 Tues	6 29	5 27	11 20	11 25	11 59
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25 Thurs	6 26	5 30	0 21	0 52	1 23
26 Fri	6 25	5 31	1 19	1 52	2 33

New Moon, 3d day, 10h. 15m., evening.
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Full Moon, 18th day, 1h. 15m., evening.
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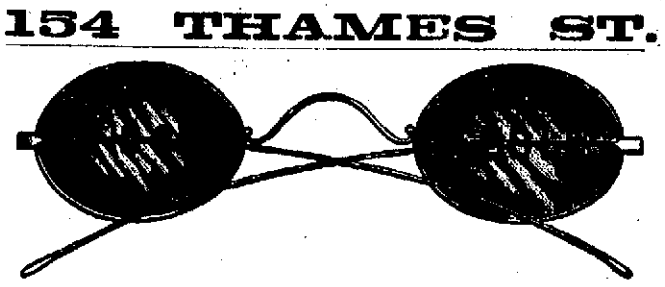

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Ayrault Street,
Bull Street,
North Side of Mall on Washington Square,
Barney Street,
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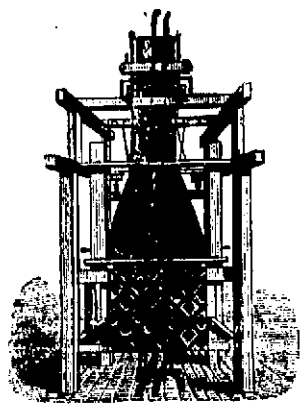

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Pruning.

Nothing in gardening is so illy understood as pruning. Some who advocate pruning whenever the knife is sharp, have been taught by the miseries of some neglected orchard. It is safer to prune not at all than to have a sharp knife in the hands of an ignorant man. Much of the indifference which the culture of the dwarf pear has fallen into came about originally from the bad mistakes of ignorant pruners. It is not at all uncommon to see a dwarf pear tree with all its young and vigorous growth cut away, with nothing but fruit spurs left. All the force is thus sent into the flowering condition in the spring. The trees are mountains of snow white blossoms, but few specimens of fruit follow. A judicious thinning out of weak branches, so as to get a good form to the tree, is about all the pruning required. If there is a tendency to produce an over-production of fruit spurs cut out a good portion of them. An apple tree often requires pruning when somewhat advanced in years. The old stunted branches should be cut now and then, whenever a young and vigorous shoot is inclined to take its place. Peach trees especially revel in this sort of pruning. The grape vine, when trained on lattice work or trellises, is very liable to have its strong branches at the end of the vine. A good pruner is ever on the alert to get a young, strong branch up very near the ground. When he can get this he often takes out an older one weakened by age or bearing, and replaces it with youth and vigor.

The rule in pruning grape vines is to shorten the shoots in proportion to their strength. Summer pinching, properly performed, of the strong shoots should equalize the strength of the vines.

Poultry Notes.

Give our fowls warm cooked food in the morning, a little meat scraps or some other form of animal food at noon, and whole corn at night. Gather the eggs as soon after laying as possible. Frozen eggs may lead to egg eating, and the best cure for this pernicious habit is prevention. Save up the scraps from the table to give with the morning meal. Do not forget the vegetable food, cabbages, boiled turnips, potatoes and other vegetables. Finely-chopped hay is good. See that your fowls have clean drinking vessels and warm water these frosty mornings, if you expect eggs. Powdered charcoal is of great assistance in keeping the fowls in good health. Look out for frozen combs. A little glycerine or vaseline will help to heal them, but the house should be made warm enough to prevent such occurrences. A little sulphur given to fowls will be of great value.

Keep the fowls busy. Make them scratch for a living. Spread leaves or straw over the bottom of their pen and sprinkle a little grain among the leaves or straw. Keep an eye out for any sign of disease, and remove the affected individual. Fresh air is indispensable. If the thermometer falls very low you can admit the fresh air sparingly at night, but in such cases, as well as in all others, the house must be aired out thoroughly during the day.

Eggs for hatching should be gathered soon after they are laid, though eggs will bear considerable cold without destroying the germ. Err on the side of safety if at all. The first hen may be set to hatch early in March. Give her nine or ten eggs only. Feed setting hens with whole corn. Put sulphur or carbolic insect powder or both into the dust box. See that the nests are kept clean. This will keep the eggs from being soiled, and add to their salable qualities.

Eggs for hatching should be placed in a nest slightly concave, to keep the eggs from falling out, made upon the earth, if possible, by a slight sprinkling of hay or straw well broken and rendered vermin proof by liberal supply of some insecticide like sulphur, tobacco or insect powder. The nest should be in a retired place, removed from the possible visits of other hens.

On the twenty-first day, when the expectant breeder is greeted with a piping sound, he will not disturb the hen for twenty-four hours afterward, but will allow her to finish hatching and drying the chicks. They need no food; the yolk which they have drawn into their body will be ample nourishment for at least twenty-four hours. At the end of that time the hen and her chicks should be removed to the coop intended for their occupation, and the nest of the sitter destroyed. Many take the precaution to dust the hen with insect powder and to grease the heads of the chicks with a little pure lard to guard against lice.

A successful system of feeding for the first week is to provide hard boiled eggs, chopped very fine and mixed with stale bread crumbs. After this, while furnishing an egg now and then for variety, rely mainly upon oat meal, dry cracked corn, and whole wheat. Dry feed is better than mixed feed, in that corn meal dough will not nourish them, but on dry feed the percentage of losses is much smaller.

Cooked meat cut into very small pieces and fed twice a week will be found a valuable addition to their diet. Ground oyster shells and granulated bone should be kept before them constantly. Pure water, or water with a little tincture of iron in it, should always be kept before them, and should be frequently renewed to insure its freshness.

For the first month, the chicks should be fed about five times a day. After that, three times will be found sufficient. The coop and its surroundings should be scrupulously clean. Without it, no system can secure the best results.

The greatest success is generally secured by confining the hen, but allowing the chicks to run out and pick the green grass after the dew is off. They should never be allowed to run in the wet grass. If one cannot permit the chicks to get at the grass, some substitute should be supplied. Finely chopped lettuce, cabbage, etc., with an occasional onion, will be beneficial.

Mistakes are made with the nests of sitting hens. Too many are made so small that the hen is unable to perform her duties of sitting down upon and stirring the eggs without smashing one or two. A roomy nest should be supplied—not too large—having a bottom of rather soft material resting upon the dirt, with a plenty of straw packed well about the sides. Such a nest, especially early in the season, is very desirable, retaining as it does the heat for a much longer time than a carelessly made nest of loose hay in a box. The best receptacle for a nest where one has plenty of room is an ordinary flour barrel. Cut in the side a hole large enough for one hen to pass through, and then hinge a small door to open and shut at pleasure. The advantage of such a nest is that nothing could be more secluded. There are no draughts of cold air sucking through the cracks into the nests. They are easily inspected if not made too deep, and there is ample space for any hen within the barrel. A door prevents the hen from looking out much better than a wire screen. A hen that cannot see all that is going on outside is less restless.—[The Poultry World.

Agricultural Notes and Hints.

It is idle to to think of growing a good crop of onions unless previous preparation has been made by thorough cultivation the preceding year. The crop will not succeed on a sod, and a two years' crop of potatoes where sod has been turned under is better than one. Onions require very rich sowing, and it is not always easy to secure this without making it also foul with weeds.

The first eggs of the season are always the most prolific, few failing to hatch if the hens are faithful sitters. It is therefore good policy to pay the higher prices demanded by breeders for eggs early in the season, rather than to wait until they can be had at less price. Besides, the early-hatched pullets will make good layers the subsequent winter, while those late-hatched will not.

While butter and cheese are as cheap as they have been for the past year, whole new milk of blood warmth is about as cheap as anything that can be given the first week, even for calves that are not to be fattened. This is especially true in cold weather, when a change of food will cause scours, sometimes with fatal results. But after the first week, skimmed milk will make nearly as much growth without fattening.

The cutting of dry cornstalks leaves some sharp points, which injure the stomach, and occasionally with fatal results. But the tendency of cut cornstalks, if left in large heaps, is to heat quickly, which will so soften them that meal will adhere, and can thus be fed without loss, as cows will eat butts when thus prepared. If corn is cut early the coarser parts of the stalk are even more nutritious than the fine part near the tassel.

It is more profitable in the long run everywhere to feed the coarse grain grown on the farm than to sell it. More ready money is, however, secured by the latter plan, and the necessities of most farmers oblige them to pursue the more wasteful policy of exhausting fertility till the soil will no longer pay for cultivation. When once the exhaustive process is begun it becomes more difficult every year to make a change for the better.

The kind of grain best adapted to poultry feeding depends upon the season, weather, condition and breed of the fowls. Corn is only allowable and in small quantities during severe cold. The Asiatic breed should rarely have any, as they naturally take on fat too readily. For the best egg production in heavy fowls oats are as good a feed as any. They give bulk, while the nutriment they contain is of the kind that goes to make eggs rather than fat.

The roof is the most important part of a pig-sty, as indeed it is of all buildings for sheltering stock. The floor of a pigpen may be earth with a little straw. In fact, many farmers object to board or plank floors, which form harbors for rats and other vermin. But the roof must be waterproof. If it cannot be made so otherwise, a covering of straw heavy enough to hold the rain and melting snow will exclude dampness and at very little expense.

Recipes for the Table.

Apple Croquettes.—One quart of peeled and quartered apples, slice them and put them in a stewpan with two tablespoonful of butter, rind from one half of lemon, one-half cup of sugar; cook this slowly on the back of the stove, stirring occasionally till smooth and thick. Then add three egg yolks and one half tablespoon corn starch; mix this well and rub it through a strainer. Spread it on a buttered dish to cool. Have it thoroughly cold, then shape, egg, etc., as you would any croquettes and fry in a frying basket. Drain them and roll in powdered sugar. These croquettes can be prepared all ready for frying the day before if desired. Any croquettes are better if they are shaped and allowed to get thoroughly cold before being fried.

Prunes.—Prunes prepared with gelatine are relished by invalids and may be eaten for dessert with cream. Stew one pound of prunes in enough water to cover them until they are quite soft. While they are cooking soak one ounce of gelatine in a little water. When the prunes are cooked strain the water from them into a saucepan; add to it the dissolved gelatine and a cup of sugar, and simmer gently. Remove the seeds from the prunes and then put the prunes into a saucepan, simmer for ten minutes and turn into moulds that have been wet with cold water. Set upon the ice or in a cold place to stiffen.

Montreal Pudding.—Three eggs, two ounces brown sugar, one-half a cup of milk, one-fourth of a small nutmeg, grated, one-fourth pound flour, seven ounces bread crumbs, one-half pound stoned raisins. Beat the eggs well, then strain them through a sieve and mix them with the milk, the sugar and the nutmeg. Then add the flour very gradually, and when well mixed stir in the bread crumbs and beat all together for at least twenty-five or thirty minutes; then add the stoned raisins; put the mixture in a pudding mould, tie it over tightly, and let it boil steadily for three hours.

For Breakfast.—An appetizing dish for breakfast may be made of cold roast beef. Cut the beef in thin slices. Make a sauce of one tablespoonful of vinegar, one of walnut catsup, one of currant jelly, three of butter, one teaspoonful of mixed mustard, seasoning to taste, and sufficient hot water to cover the amount of meat to be used. Put the slices of beef in a stewpan and cover them with the sauce. Set the covered pan in a pot of boiling water and steam for half an hour. The water in the pot should be kept boiling.

Coffee Cake.—Two cups brown sugar, one cup butter, five eggs, one-half cup molasses, one nutmeg grated, two tablespoonfuls cinnamon, one teaspoonful cloves, one-half cup made coffee, three heaping cups flour, one cup raisins, one cup currants, one teaspoonful saleratus dissolved in warm water, one quarter pound of citron, one teaspoonful lemon extract. Cream butter and sugar together, and be sure to flour the fruit before stirring it in. Bake in a moderately fast oven.

Tapioca Pudding.—For tapioca pudding, put two heaped tablespoonfuls of tapioca into a dish with 1½ pints of milk; let it stand for half an hour to soak, then stir it round a few times, add a teaspoonful of salt, a tablespoonful of sugar and two ounces of butter broken into small pieces. Mix these ingredients thoroughly, grate nutmeg over the top, and bake in a moderate oven for two or even three hours; the more slow the pudding is cooked the better it will be.

Lyonnaise Potatoes.—Slice cold boiled potatoes. Have ready in a frying-pan in a great spoonful of nice dripping or of butter. Into this, when hot, put a teaspoonful of finely minced onion, pepper and salt lightly, and fry to a light brown. Then add the potatoes and stir gently with a fork, not to break them, until very hot. Lastly, put in a full teaspoonful of minced parsley, toss together with the fork and serve very hot.

Cocoanut Drops.—Beat to a froth the whites of two eggs, and add gradually one small cup of sugar, one cup cocoanut grated and one spoonful flour. Butter tin sheets with washed butter, and then cover with letter paper. Drop on this the mixture in teaspoonfuls about two inches apart. Bake in five minutes in a quick oven.

Graham Muffins.—One quart of graham flour, one tablespoonful of baking powder and half a teaspoonful of salt sifted. To this add two eggs well beaten, two ounces of melted butter and enough milk to form a thin batter, mixing thoroughly. Bake in muffin rings or pans half filled with the batter in a brisk oven.

A Good Luncheon Dish.—Boil five eggs for twenty minutes. While they cool, melt two tablespoonfuls of butter in a saucepan, add the same quantity of flour, and one pint of boiling milk. Season well, slice the eggs into this sauce, and serve hot with parsley, and you have a good luncheon dish.

Oyster Omelette.—Add to half a cup of cream six eggs beaten very lightly, season with salt and pepper, and pour it into a frying-pan with a tablespoonful of butter; drop in a dozen large oysters, and fry a light brown. Double over and serve immediately.

A Plain Pudding.—Six ounces of suet finely minced, three-quarters of a pound of grated bread or bread crumbs, the grated rind of one lemon with the juice, two beaten eggs, milk enough to mix, and a little salt. Boil for three hours.

Bedclothing.

In regard to bedclothing, of course, nothing should be used save what can be, when needed, thoroughly cleansed. This will restrict us happily to blankets, counterpanes and the old-fashioned bed-quilt. A comforter may be at hand for the exigency of a zero temperature, to be thrown upon the outside of the bed, but never placed beneath the other coverings. Comforters in constant use should be avoided, and carefully protected at the top by a neat covering of some fadeless material. All who have used comforters know that they are easily soiled where they come into contact with the breath of the sleeper. Blankets, which should form the staple of our winter bedding, should be changed at least once during the colder months, that is, the pair next the upper sheet. Blankets may be kept pure and sweet by being taken to the open door weekly, thoroughly shaken, and occasionally on a fine, sunny, breezy day, carefully pinned to the clothes-line and allowed the regenerating effect of sun and wind.

Pillows and bolsters, like mattresses, should be carefully protected by an extra casing of heavy cotton cloth. Every housewife of years knows that her pillow ticks have become yellow and time-stained, so that she feels a delicacy in exposing them to public view even for a much-needed airing and sunning. The old-fashioned nightcap, has, luckily for the head, gone into disuse, but not so luckily for the cleanliness of the pillow case and tick. A second covering, to be removed and washed when necessary, would furnish the protection and also prevent the escape of the much dreaded down of the sleeping-room where feather and pillows are used. Pillows are portable, and protected from absorption by three firm coverings, and daily subjected to the disinfecting agencies of air and sunshine, may be kept healthy and pure, inviting and inspiring a sweeter and sounder slumber, a pillow, indeed, of repose for the weary head.

Fashion's Fancies.

Hoop earrings are being worn.

Crystal beads are worn for necklets.

Bonnets are still worn for theatre and dress occasions.

Undressed kids hold their own against every other variety.

Dressed kids are shown with elaborately embroidered backs.

A yellow fan made of ostrich feathers has sticks of amber.

The new brocades have the flowers and leaves in natural colors.

It is difficult to name a material which is not fashionable.

In Paris when hats are worn they are large, and plush is much favored.

Tulle remains the proper material for young ladies' ball dresses.

Wood bonnets are shown in the stores and at the openings, but who wears them?

All the woollen goods for spring wear will show a soft finish, and will be in subdued tones.

The latest Parisian fancy is to adorn theatre bonnets with pins, buckles or aigrettes of diamonds.

Velveteen is plainly made up whether for costumes or single garment, and is usually edged with roseary beads.

The new short sleeves consist of small puffs or narrow double ruchings of tulle, crossing the top of the arm.

The spring goods, are to be of great variety, and are novel in combination. The displays have already begun.

Black lace is used in combination with pink silk this season by young ladies. It is very becoming to brunettes.

Flowers made out of rubies, emeralds, opals, paste diamonds and Rhine stones are being shown and are as brilliant as possible.

Corduroy must stay in fashion at least one more season, as the new arrivals show a wealth of exquisite coloring and texture.

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Opera cloaks are made in all the light colors and of every material, and in many cases cover the whole figure, but in some are open in the back to show the train.

Red bison suits, trimmed with white lamb's wool, and accompanied by white lamb's wool caps and muffs, are being made for the season in Canada and are charming for skating rinks.

There is no limitation in the style of bodice, and any one of a dozen styles are quite in the fashion, and she who may disign something out of the common course is envied of all her sisters.

Very young married ladies may wear to the theatre the Rembrandt hat, with wide brim turned up at the left, and covered with jet beads. It is frequently trimmed with a tuft of feathers a la Lambelle, that is, the quills in back and the ends falling over the front.

The crossed-over fronts are extremely fashionable in basques and polonaises, and novel effect is produced by having the first three buttons, starting from the shoulder, of large size and artistic character, and the rest small, set close, of the self color and simply used for fastening.

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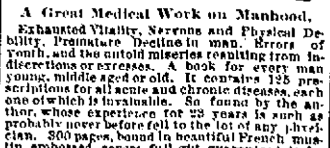

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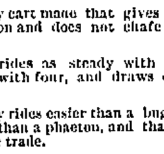

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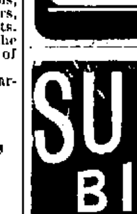

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Social Supremacy.

The struggle for social supremacy that is constantly going on in this country is undoubtedly the cause of much misery and sin. Numerous defalcations can be traced directly to this source, and more than one case of suicide has followed, perhaps more remotely, from the same cause. And how foolish it all is. People are striving to get into the company of those who are no better than they are themselves, whose origin was probably more obscure, and who have antedated them only a few years in social prestige.—Men and women will endure insults without number for the purpose of getting a nod from those that they consider their betters, and to do this will kick those whom they believe are occupying a lower rung on the slippery society ladder.

It is forgotten that in a few years those who are considered social leaders to-day will be forgotten. They will be, perhaps, dead, or mayhap worse than that, sunk in poverty or neglect, through the misdemeanors of those upon whom they made too frequent demands for money to support their extravagances. Consider how many overworked men there are in the world to-day, who are straining every nerve to keep wives and daughters in a style of living that their business or prospects do not warrant. When these fond but foolish fathers and husbands die their families will have to retire to obscurity, probably in the small town which they left for the big city. They will no doubt be happier than they are now, for there is little but heart-burning, envy, jealousy and deceit in the attempt to maintain a foremost place in the falsely called gay world of fashion. There is no rest there, and the woman who devotes her life to balls, parties and receptions often works harder than any one of the numerous servants she so ostentatiously employs.

If, Asmodeus-like, we could uncover the roofs of some of the houses of our so-styled oldest and richest families, we would find an amount of misery and vice that would shock plain-going people. Faithless husbands and wives, dissipated sons, daughters on the verge of dishonor, all these would be discovered among the aristocracy. These, to be sure, are to be found elsewhere, but we only want to show that those whom we are apt to regard as having reached the apex of human happiness are made of the same clay as the ordinary mortal and share his sins, his pains, his sorrows. There are good people among the rich, as there are among the poor and the middling classes, but the wealthy position does not make them so. They are the possessors of natural virtues which they probably inherited from some plebian ancestors. Even the oldest patricians in America trace their descent from men in very humble circumstances.

If fortune places any one in a high position let it be accepted in an humble spirit, and with a due sense of its cares and responsibilities, but let no one stake life, honor, happiness, on the chances of getting into fashionable circles. There are whirlpools there that are destructive to mind and body, and that kill all true family life and enjoyment.

The "Poet-Scout."

One passenger who arrived at the Broad Street Depot from the West yesterday, says the Philadelphia Press of Monday, attracted universal attention. Men, women and children alike gazed upon him with wonder. He wore long hair which hung in curls over his shoulders, while a large white sombrero was set well back on his head. He had a restless eye and a black moustache, and when a stranger addressed him as Captain Crawford he seemed not at all surprised that the stranger should know that he was Captain Crawford. The talk quickly turned on Indian troubles, and the Captain said emphatically: "I like Indian fighting well enough when the officer in command knows what he is doing, but $1000 a week could not get me to fight Indians under any policy that slaughters soldiers as they are now being killed. My doctrine is that you cannot fight Indians with Indians. Down at Fort Craig, N. M., where I live, I left a rifle with my wife, so she can stand off Apaches. The frontiersmen will get no relief as things are now." Speaking of frontier life, he said: I am no dime novel hero. I have never allowed my name to appear as the hero of a lie in bravado history of my career, together with my poetry. I do not seek sensation, but I write for the few. I have seen enough of the evils of dime novel reading to do me. If I had my way I would imprison for life all writers and publishers of the yellow-backed lies that ruin many young men and bring them West to fight Indians. Why, that's what ruined Billy the Kid. Don't you remember what an outlaw and murderer he was? Well, he told me himself that these novels led him into that life. Good-bye, I am going to catch that train for New York, to see about publishing my book."

Jack Crawford, the "poet-scout," was the correspondent who made known the fact of the Custer massacre to the world. To carry the news he rode 400 miles through a country swarming with hostiles, to the nearest telegraph office. For this service he received $700. He rode through Red Canon, near the Little Big Horn River, in day time. It was a perilous undertaking, yet he escaped with his life often leaving three dead indians to mark his route. In this ride he killed several horses, and was half dead when he arrived at his destination. He had lived on horse meat, and was asleep in the saddle when he got to the telegraph office. Captain Crawford was at one time the Black Hills correspondent of The Press. Some of his poetry notably "Rattlin' Joe's Prayer" and "The Old Veteran," has become famous. Barring his pastime of Indian killing, the poet-scout's life is as correct as a Sunday School Superintendent's is supposed to be. He has always kept his promise to his mother to never touch liquor, and the strongest feeling of his nature is of gratitude toward a Sister of Charity who taught him to read and write when he was laid up in Saterlee Hospital during the late war with a wound received at the front.

Ought to go on Somewhere.

Patient: Oh, doctor, I can't get any rest at all. My eyes won't close at night and I can't sleep.

Doctor: I guess we'll fix you up all right. Before you retire at night put your feet in hot water. It is very efficacious.

Patient: Yes, but confound it all, it isn't my feet that won't sleep; it's my head.

Doctor: Oh, well, soak your head!—[Tid Bits.

Cheated Out of His Dues.

Gentleman—If the world owes every man a living, as you say, why don't you collect yours?"

Tramp—I can't do it. The world has too many preferred creditors.

Delaware peach growers say that the cold snap has badly injured the trees, and ruined the prospects of a crop next summer.

Capt. West.

Somewhere in the neighborhood of a fortnight since an aged soap-peddler in Providence, who called himself—— Blake, was discharged from the hospital in that city, and by order of the overseer of the poor was sent to New Bedford, from which port he claimed to have sailed in the whaling service for several years as the commander of the whale-ships Heroine, Isaac Howland, and Wm. Hamilton, saying at the time that the name by which he was known in Providence (Blake) was not his own, that his real name was David P. West, and that he had commanded the ships named. This statement was apparently disbelieved. At any rate the poor old man was placed in the cars for New Bedford, where he arrived in a "paralyzed and dying condition," and was taken to the Police Station, he was identified by several ex-whalemen, and proved to be Capt. David P. West, who was formerly a successful whaling captain out of Fairhaven and New Bedford.

Curiosity led your correspondent to "overhaul the record," and he found that he was master of the Heroine of Fairhaven, for two voyages, and afterwards the Isaac Howland, of New Bedford, for two voyages. These four voyages occupied (from the day of sailing on the first, to the day of arrival on the fourth), 10 years, 10 months, and 10 days, out of which deduct 453 days, spent at home between voyages, and the result of them was 580 bbls. sperm, 13,155 bbls. whale oil, and 115,407 lbs. whalebone. Later he commanded other ships for the same owners but the amount of oil taken is unknown to the writer.

In the days when these voyages were made, a whaling captain was "a little king," whose power was absolute. What a fall was that! to die in a poor house, penniless, homeless, friendless. Of the causes leading to this fall, we know nothing, the facts are sufficient.

An Interesting Album,

The Poet Whittier's schoolmates sent him a Christmas gift of their photographs in an album, inscribed, "Haverhill Academy, John G. Whittier and his schoolmates, and containing the following pictures: The old Academy, Hon. Moses Wingate, first president, Oliver Carlton, first preceptor, Master Moses Emerson, John G. Whitttier, Mrs. Harriet Minot Pitman, Mrs. Sophia Smith Rogers, Mrs. Mary E. Thomas, Mrs, Tameyson Kimball Appleton, Mrs. Abby Coffin Hill, Mrs. Eliza Chase Ingalls, Miss Mary E. Le Bosquet, Col. Lewis M. Hatch, Hon. E. J. M. Hale, Nathaniel Marsh, George West, Col. A. E. Eastman, Mr. J. H. Carlton, Hon. J. B. Swett, Mrs. Mary Keeley Lodge, Mrs. Mary Marsh Kelley, Mrs. Caroline Foote Ordway, Mrs. Mary Howe Carleton, Mrs. Harriet Plummer Bartlett, Thomas B. Garland, Rev. Charles Wingate, Mrs. Abby Haseltine Smith, Gyles M. Kelley, Capt. E. B. Ayer, Joseph H. Adams, Hon. C. S. Bradley, Mrs. Mary W. Smith, William Merrill. A few more will be added as soon as received. Thanks are due to Messrs. Anderson and Vickery for contributions to the album.

Man's Inhumanity to Man.

A terrible story of inhuman cruelty reaches this city, and it is authenticated thoroughly. During the storm a man, his wife and child were driving toward Kinsley, Ks., from the south in one of the fearful blizzards which has characterized the weather for the past few days. Reaching a house the man asked for shelter, but the inhuman and brutal wretch who owned it refused to permit either his wife or child to take shelter. The man begged and pleaded, but all to no avail. His wife was then unconcious, and the babe was in the same condition, but both are said to have been alive. The man told them he would not accommodate them, and said three miles farther on they could probably receive protection. The poor man resumed his position on the wagon and started off. The next morning all three were discovered a half mile from the house frozen to death. The mother had the babe close to her bosom, as if in the act of hugging it. The poor father still held the lines in his stiff hands.—[Topeka Commonwealth.

The Value of Pop Corn.

There is nothing more eminently qualified to produce sociability than pop corn. The American corn popper stands between many a home and the saloon. Intemperance rarely pushes its way into a pleasant and attractive country home. The long winter evenings filled with reading, games, and the ever necessary pop corn, will give the boys a "home feeling" that will stay through life, and, aside from its social power, pop corn as a medicine should not be over looked. Many physicians recommend it as a cure for dyspepsia. It is certain that one can eat an immense quantity of it without experiencing any ill effect. Served with milk in the place of bread it makes a "dish fit for a king." The possibilities of pop corn are great. Every farmer should aid in developing them.

Judge David Davis got his great fortune by being compelled to take eighty acres of land near the village of Chicago when he was a young man, for debt. The land is now in the heart of the city.

An annual burden of $1,500,000 has been removed from American ships by the various bills that have been passed by Congress through the efforts of Representative Dingley of Maine.

Prof. Landmark, chief director of the Norwegian fisheries, asserts that salmon sometimes jump perpendicularly sixteen feet.

The exceedingly cold weather has caused much suffering among the poor in Washington, many of whom are without fuel and provisions.

During the past six months the decrease in the value of fish exported from Halifax, N. S., to United States ports is nearly half a million dollars,

Patents Granted.

Patents granted to citizens of the New England States on Jan. 26, 1886, and reported expressly for the MERCURY, by C. A. Snow & Co., patent lawyers, opposite U. S. Patent office, Washington D. C.:

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H. R. Butterfield, Waterville, Me., forming pails.
W. H. Comstock, Norwich, Conn., door knob.
W. Connolly, South Norwalk, Conn., bobbin winder.
E. Deming, Middletown, Conn., halter trimming.
R. A. Denison, Providence, R. I., insulating electric cables.
J. Denver, New Haven, Conn., car seat arm.
C. R. Garratt, Bridgeport, Ct., cutting fabrics.
H. Hammond, New Haven, Ct., ax-blank.
C. B. Mason, Westerly, R. I., sheet delivery apparatus.
A. J. Nichols, New Market, N. H., spooler guide.
J. O'Connell, Providence, dyeing apparatus.
G. Reynolds, Ridgefield, Conn., coffin.
C. D. Rogers, Providence, R. I., nail feeding apparatus.
F. B. Torrey, Bath, Me., journal and bearing.

For the removal of dandruff, and for curing humors of the scalp, nothing can be better than Ayer's Hair Vigor.

A DARING ATTEMPT.

Death of a Man who was engaged in One of the Most Desperate Adventures of the War.

A dispatch from Quincy, Ill., announces the death of Lieut. Martin J. Hawkins, one of the daring men who, in the spring of 1862, disguised as Southern citizens, attempted to destroy the bridges and telegraph lines of the Chattanooga and Atlantic Road, between Big Shanty and Chattanooga. The party, which was placed under the leadership of J. J. Andrews, a citizen of Kentucky and a Union man, was to consist of nine men of the Twenty-first, eight of the Thirty-third and seven of the Second Ohio Regiments. Of the 24 men 23 men met at the rendezvous. Two of the party were arrested early on the expedition, and were granted the privilege of enlisting in the rebel army, which they did, but finally succeeded in deserting. The rest safely reached Marietta, Ga., and the greater number of them passed the night at a small hotel. In the arrangements for awakening the men on the following morning two, J. R. Porter and M. J. Hawkins, who had arrived earlier than the rest of the party and obtained lodging at some distance from the depot, were overlooked, and not being called in time for the morning train, were left behind. Upon arriving by rail at Big Shanty, Saturday morning, April 12, 1862, twenty minutes were allowed for refreshments. The conductor, engineer, fireman and train hands generally, with many of the passengers, of whom there were several hundred, left the cars and hurried to the eating room, leaving the engine unguarded. Each man of the daring party took his appointed place; three cars back from the tender the coupling pin was drawn out and the Union men ran the engine, box cars, etc., from inside a line of sentinels who could be distinctly seen. W. A. Fuller, the conductor, A. Murphy, manager of the State railroad shops at Atlanta, and J. Cain, engineer, followed the train on foot, never dreaming that any Federal soldiers were within 100 miles of Big Shanty, and about two miles distant found the telegraph wire cut. Near by some workmen with a hand car were found, and by the aid of this car, the train men again took up the pursuit. Once they were thrown in a ditch, the rail having been torn up, but were uninjured. At Etowah an engine fired up was standing on the main track and was pressed into service. Owing to many unforeseen hindrances which were encountered by the Union men, notwithstanding the frequent obstructions of the track and the continued cutting of the telegraph wires which the pursuers met, the pursuers left Kingston, thirty miles from Big Shanty, twenty minutes behind the Federals. After tearing up some rails and cutting telegraph wires the two trains came in sight and, with no time for the pursued to burn bridges, as intended, although some cutting and blocking was done, the terrible chase was continued for mile after mile, by station after station. The last card of the pursued was to leave a burning car on the track, but this obstacle was pushed aside to the first side and left to burn at its leisure. Another train had before this joined in the pursuit. Telegrams sent by other wires had warned the troops ahead, and the Federal soldiers were awaited. When but twelve or fifteen miles from Chattanooga, when the engine was in a bad state and water, fuel and oil were gone, the train was abandoned and the party scattered, to do the best they could to escape to the Federal lines. They were soon captured, as also were J. R. Porter and M. J. Hawkins, who were left behind at Marietta. Eight, J. J. Andrews, William Campbell, George D. Wilson, Marion A. Ross, Perry G. Shadrack, Samuel Seavens, Samuel Robinson and John Scott, were executed, and eight, W. W. Brown, William Knight, J. R. Porter, Mark Wood, J. A. Wilson, M. J. Hawkins, John Wallam and D. A. Dorsey, escaped from prison in October. The escape was managed from Atlanta jail, just after supper, by overpowering the jailer and of the fourteen members of this party, who were concerned in it, six, Jacob Parrot, Robert Buffum, William Bensinger, William Reddeck, E. H. Mason, and William Pittenger, were recaptured, but were exchanged in the following March. In 1881 Rev. William Pittenger, then a resident of Woodbury, N. J. wrote an account of the incidents connected with the expedition. Of those of the above who escaped or were exchanged he gives two as then dead, four as living in Ohio, one as living in Minnesota, one in Arkansas, and one in Wisconsin, one, Lieut. Hawkins, whose death is just announced, as living in Kansas and one in New Jersey. The whereabouts of the other three adventurers he reported as unknown.

Hope Springs Eternal, etc.

An old maid at least seventy years of age was helped into a chair in the office of a New York police justice. She was very much excited.

"Do I understand you to say that you think your pocket was picked by a young man who sat alongside of you in a Third avenue car?" asked the judge.

"Yes, I'm sure of it. He squeezed me up in the corner so that I could scarcely breathe, and he kept smiling at me, and smiling at me, as if he knew me."

"Why did you permit him to do that. Why did you not complain to the conductor?" asked the justice.

"I—I"—

"Out with it."

"I thought perhaps he was—he was"

"Was what?"

"Going to propose to me."

The Susquehanna River has been so badly swollen as to cause grave apprehensions.

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A New York artist was recently visited by a lady friend. The artist was painting an angel.

"Why do you always paint your angels with dark hair and black eyes?" asked the friend.

"It's a great secret, and it might get me into trouble if you were to give it away."

"I'm not going to give it away."

"Well, the reason I paint my angels with black hair and eyes is because my wife is blonde. See?"—[Texas Siftings.

The PANSY for February is a whole encyclopedia of reading for a cold winter-month. There are serials, short stories, poems, pictures, articles, adventures, little sermons and lectures, and letters. Both "Pansy" and Margaret Sidney are publishing excellent continued stories in the magazine this year, "St. George and the Dragon," a stirring boys' story, by the latter, and "Reaching Out," a delightful story of "Nothing to Wear" for girls. Another excellent feature is the two alphabet series of Great Men and Great Women; Morse the inventor, and Joan of Arc, are the subjects this month. The want of good bright Sunday reading is certainly filled by this periodical.—Only $1.00 a year. Mrs. G. R. Alden ("Pansy"), Editor. D. Lothrop & Co., Publishers, Boston, Mass.

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Last fall I went to New York for medical advice and treatment. I visited Dr. Edward L. Keys of 1 Park Avenue, visiting and consulting surgeon of the Bellevue and Charity Hospitals, and was also examined by Dr. Alfred L. Loomis of 31 West Twenty-fourth street, consulting physician of the Charity Hospitals and visiting surgeon of the Bellevue and Mt Sinai hospitals. They found that I was suffering severely from Bright's disease, which was evidently of some five or six years' standing. My urine was mingled with blood, pus, and tube casts, and I suffered intense pain. I had no appetite; my tongue was furred and coated; and I was bloated to an alarming extent.

Three months ago I was induced to try Dr. Craig's Kidney Cure, and I began at once to improve. I examined my medicine carefully, and found that it contained a brown powder, which did not dissolve. I felt assured that, at last, I had discovered the true cure, and I immediately, with my neighbor, Mr. A. B. Moller, who was in a worse condition than myself, and who has since been cured by Dr. Craig's Kidney Cure, visited the office No. 4 Pearl street, and had a long interview with the manager. As a result, I began taking Dr. Craig's Kidney Cure. I have made my case the subject of special study; making my own tests, and found no blood or tube casts, and noted a gradual diminution of albumen in my urine. I have now taken about thirty bottles of Dr. Craig's Kidney Cure.

I owe my health and strength to-day to Dr. Craig's Kidney Cure, and to the practical advice and unremitting attention of Dr. Caulkins, the general manager, whose theories concerning my difficult case proved correct in every particular I am, my dear sir, yours to command,

F. GELDOWSKY.
Boston, March 1, 1885.

Caswell, Massey & Co., wholesale agents, Newport. 6 bottles $5.00. There are two imitations in the market. The genuine is made only in Boston, Mass.

Economy is paying twenty-five cents for a cigar, and compelling your wife to turn her last season's dress, that it may do for another winter.

Benton's Hair Grower.

All who are BALD, all who are becoming BALD, all who do not want to be BALD, all who are troubled with DANDRUFF, or ITCHING of the scalp; should use Benton's Hair Grower. Eighty per cent. of those using it have grown hair. It never fails to stop the hair from falling. Through sickness and fevers the hair sometimes falls off in a short time, and although the person may have remained bald for years, if you use Benton's Hair Grower according to directions you are sure of a growth of hair. In hundreds of cases we have produced a good growth of Hair on those who have been bald and glazed for years, we have fully substantiated the following facts:

We grow Hair in 80 cases out of 100, no matter how long bald.

Unlike other preparations, it contains no sugar of lead, or vegetable or mineral poisons.

It is a specific for falling hair, dandruff, and itching of the scalp.

The Hair Grower is a hair food, and its composition is almost exactly like the oil which supplies the hair with its vitality.

DOUBLE AND TRIPLE STRENGTH.

When the skin is very tough and hard, and the follicle is apparently effectually closed, the single strength will sometimes fail to reach the papilla; in such cases the double or triple strength should be used in connection with the single, using them alternately.

Price, Single strength $1.00; Double strength $2.00; Triple strength $3.00. If your druggists have not got it we will send it prepaid on receipt of price.

BENTON HAIR GROWER CO. Cleveland O.

George C. Goodwin, & Co., Wholesale Druggists, Agents, Boston, Mass.

"How to be Happy though Married," is the alarming title of a volume that has been presented to the Princess Beatrice.

Kiss me darling, for your breath is
Just as sweet as new-mown hay;
Kiss me, darling, for your teeth are
Free from tartar or decay;
Kiss me, darling for you won't
Forget me or your SOZODONT.

The Atmosphere of Love

Is a pure, sweet breath. This desideratum is one of the results of using SOZODONT, which not only invigorates and preserves the teeth, but renders the mouth as fragrant as a rose.

Spalding's Glue will mend anything except a broken heart.

Mary Anderson learned to drink beer while abroad.

For Rheumatism, Lumbago, Cramp, and Colic, there is no remedy superior to Dr. Thomas' Eclectric Oil.

An electrical signal travels at the rate of 16,000 miles per second.

Ladies, be very cautious how you tamper with samples of the many vile counterfeits offered you which may prove very damaging to the fabric and hands; and instead of these similar appearing packages, be sure to get the harmless article for laundry and kitchen use, the original JAMES PYLE'S PEARLINE. Sold by all grocers.

A Chicago landlord shot a boarder the other day for joking about the butter.

Experience proves that nothing else so surely destroys Scrofula, root and branch, as Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

A sausage 61 feet long was made recently in a Philadelphia factory.

If you use porous plasters, the best and strongest one made is *Hop Plaster*. They will kill pain and strengthen the parts. A great many people say so. 25c. dealers.

There are three times as many telephones in the United States as in all Europe.

I Wished I Was Dead!

After suffering several years with Leucorrhœa, and no doubt I would have been only a lady induced me to try Sulphur Bitters. Now I am well. Three bottles cured me.—Mrs. Copps, Newport, R. I.

There are firms in New York and Philadelphia who hire out clean cuffs and collars.

SCOTT'S EMULSION OF PURE

Cod Liver Oil, with Hypophosphites,

For Anæmia and Marasmus in Children.

Dr. W. D. GENTRY, Kansas City, Mo., says: "I have used Scott's Emulsion for years, and for consumption and anaemic patients and children with marasmus, have found it very reliable. Have frequently given it when patients can retain nothing else on their stomachs."

Three thousand negroes have emigrated from North Carolina within a short time, to the west.

Luck of Two San Francisco Men.

Mr. Julius Gruen, proprieter of the Louvre, San Francisco, Cal., suffered for a long time from a cough. One bottle of Red Star Cough Cure cured him, and he has had no return of the trouble. Major Arnold, of the Occidental Hotel, in the same city was cured of rheumatism by St. Jacob's Oil.

A man living near Buteville, Ore., who is over sixty years of age, is the father of thirty-two children by three wives.

The Root of the Evil.

To thoroughly cure scrofula, it is necessary to strike directly at the root of the evil. This is exactly what Hood's Sarsaparilla does, by acting upon the blood, thoroughly cleansing it of all impurities, and leaving not even a taint of scrofula in the vital fluid. Thousands who have been cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, testify to its wonderful blood purifying qualities. Sold by all druggists.

A widow and widower, recently married, start out with 25 children.

Queen Anne Millinery Establishment,

143 Thames Street.

GREAT CLEARING SALE

In order to make room for Spring Goods we have decided on a sweeping reduction on the balance of our Winter Stock. We would call special attention to our

Hat and Feather Department.

Hats at 15 cts. and up.

Feathers at 5 cts. and up.

All our Plush and Satin Bonnets for Children at sacrificing Prices.

FANCY RIBBONS AT LESS THAN COST.

All our ready made trimmed Hats and Bonnets at half their cost.

We have now on hand a complete line of

MOURNING BONNETS IN SILK AND CRAPE.

Ladies Dress Caps and Headdresses.

A FULL LINE OF WIDOW CAPS. FLOWERS FOR EVENING WEAR A SPECIALTY.

SCHREIER'S,

Queen Anne Millinery Establishment.

143 THAMES STREET.

BOOTS AND SHOES.

SECOND

Annual Mark-Down Sale, Commencing

MONDAY, FEB. 8th.

This is a genuine Mark-Down Sale to clean out and make room for Spring goods. No preadamites in the stock. Nothing over two years old offered for sale. Don't forget the time and place. MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8, to continue for one week at

COTTRELL'S,

144 THAMES ST.

PRICES.

TINTED CHAMBER SUITS FROM	$22 to $28.50
ASH " " "	$25 to $36.00
SLAT SPRINGS	$2.00
WIRE NETS	$5.00
THE "FOLD-UP" BED	$5.50
THE "TRENTON" SPRING MATTRESS	$8.50

Liberal Discount for SPOT CASH.

E. P. MARSH,

101 & 103 THAMES STREET.

COAL AND WOOD.

Best Quality, Lowest Market Prices.

—TRY OUR—

TINDER WOOD.

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PERRY WHARF 341 THAMES STREET.

H. W. LADD & CO.

GRAND OPENING

—OF OUR—

SECOND IMPORTATION

—OF—

FINE

French Sateens

—AND—

GINGHAMS.

We shall open on Monday, Feb. 8th, over two hundred different effects, including the very Latest Paris Styles, making, as we really believe, the largest and finest collection of Printed Cotton Fabrics ever shown in any one house in this country.

Our representative in Paris paid an extra price in order to secure some choice printings. Our regret is that he had not sent us more. A Philadelphia house that knew we had them wanted all we had, enough to offer us our retail price for every one of certain styles, but we preferred to distribute them here.

Those who wish to see nice things, even if they do not wish to buy them, will find pleasure in looking over the offering we shall present Monday.

H. W. LADD & CO.

Providence, R. I.

THE

Providence Store.

Great Bargains

—IN—

Black Cashmeres

10 pieces Extra Heavy Black Cashmere, 38 inches wide, at 50c. a yard.

5 pieces superior quality Black Cashmere, 40 inches wide, at 75c. a yard.

☞ An examination of these goods will convince you that they are fully 50 per cent. less than the market value.

O'Gorman & Sweeney.

February Sales to Make Room.

Carnation Pinks, White, Red and Dark Red, 25 to 40c. Stocks, Double and Single, 5, 10 and 15c. Oxalis Yellow, 10 to 15c., Callas 25 to 40c. Heliotropes 20 to 25c., Hyacinths 15 to 20c. Primroses 15 to 25c. Polyanthus 10c.

Wilson's Greenhouses, Broadway.

Newport County News.

MIDDLETOWN.

The regular session of the Court of Probate was held on Monday when the following named matters were considered and disposed of.

The petition of Etta Albro for an order of court to distribute the personal estate of her father, Samuel M. Albro, deceased, now in the hands of his administrator, David Albro, was taken up. William Gilpin of Newport appeared for petitioner and administrator for himself. After due hearing of the respective parties, petition was continued to third Monday of March.

The petition of Mary C. Albro to appoint an administrator on the estate of Peleg Albro, 2d, was supported by her counsel, William Gilpin. A continuance of petition was moved by David Albro. The court finally appointed Nathaniel Peckham administrator on said estate, he to give bond in the sum of $9000.00 with Frederick A. Lawton as surety.

The seventh account of Christopher S. Peckham, guardian of Ruth Peckham was examined, allowed and ordered recorded.

The petition of Nathaniel Greene to prove the will of Anna M. Greene and for letters testamentary on her estate, and the 4th account of Nathaniel Peckham, guardian of Hosea Peckham, were referred to the third Monday of March and notice thereof ordered to issue.

In Town Council, William F. Peckham was appointed a committee to advise and direct with William Smith, surveyor of Road District No. 4, in repairing several large bridges in said district damaged and rendered unsafe by the excessive rain of last week.

Samuel F. Harrington presented an account with the amount of road tax apportioned to Road District No. 5, of which he is surveyor, which after examination was received and ordered on file. Samuel T. Harrington presented his resignation of the office of surveyor of Highways for Road District No. 6, being about to remove to the state of Virginia. Resignation accepted and Clark T. Barker elected surveyor for said District for the remainder of the present municipal year.

Gilbert L. Ward presented a petition of Thomas J. Gibson and others, to widen so much of Bliss Road as extends from the residence of Francis Talbot to Newport line, to a width of sixty feet. Petition referred to the third Monday of March. A majority of the members of the council expressed themselves as in favor of granting the petition, when assured that the city council of Newport would widen that part of said Bliss Road within the municipal limits of Newport.

William J. C. Chase and Henry D. DeBlois, Jr., were drawn Grand Jurors, and John J. Hayes, Johnson E. Whitman, Jethro J. Peckham and Joseph R. Coggeshall were drawn Petit Jurors, to serve at the March Term of the Supreme Court.

Accounts for shoveling snow were presented and ordered paid as follows, viz:

Account of C. Henry Congdon, Surveyor, Road District No. 2	$31.20
Account of Joseph L. Chase, Surveyor, Road District No. 4	31.45
Account of Samuel F. Harrington, Surveyor, Road District No. 5	32.75
Account of Elisha C. Peckham, Surveyor of Road District No. 6	30.75
Account of Melville Ball, Surveyor, Road District No. 7	34.05
Total	$181.10

Other accounts to the amount of $46.31 were allowed and ordered paid from the town treasury.

Although the roads on the east side of the town were never in worse shape and seldom the same depth of mud has been noticed, yet the residents are not deterred from attending divine worship on the Sabbath. The 14th inst. was a fair day overhead for those aspiring to a lofty route, yet for those who generally observe the day, by attending divine services, not mud nor wet under foot keeps them from the House of worship.

At the Four Corners M. E. Church, a good attendance was noticed and they were well paid for the trouble encountered. The pastor, W. A. Wright occupied the pulpit and preached an excellent sermon, taking for his text, Luke xiv. Chap. 22 and 23 verses and for forty-five minutes his sermon was listened to with much interest. At the close, he made a few remarks for the benefit of the Freedmen's Aid Society, illustrating the same by a chart showing—Illiteracy, Public School Expenses, School Property and taxable property in the United States. A collection was taken at the close of remarks and all wended their way homewards well pleased at the services.

At the Fourth Quarterly Conference held at the M. E. Church, Feb. 11, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Trustees.—Alfred W. Chase, Christopher S. Peckham, John Spooner, Charles Peckham, 2d, George A. Brown, Truman B. Congdon, C. Henry Congdon, Jacob S. Ward, and Charles H. Ward.

Stewards.—Truman B. Congdon, (recording), James M. Smith, Abram A. Brown, Willard F. Smith, A. Herbert Ward, and W. T. Slocum.

District Stewards.—Mrs. Lydia B. Chase, Mrs. Louisa L. Chase, and Lyman Barker.

A large amount of damage has resulted to the roads by the late fall of rain. On Paradise avenue the road bed is badly washed and bridges undermined and made unsafe for teaming. On the old Fair road, the bridge across Wyatt pond was somewhat damaged, requiring some repairs. It is reported that stones of great weight have been removed from their resting places and in some instances entirely disappearing. On Monday the roads were almost impassable on account of mud and water.

Cellars are well stocked with water produce and vegetables afloat and in some of the barns stock were found standing in water. At the present writing however the roads have been renovated through the timely aid of our efficient overseers and teams are now able to move along in their usual avocation.

On Monday evening the young people on the East Side paid a visit to the residence of F. M. Ware, Esq., in South Portsmouth and passed a glorious time tripping the light fantastic toe and enjoying a bountiful repast.

Wednesday evening Mrs. Daniel Carter on Wapping road was surprised by a party of some fifty friends who called in to pass the evening with her. An oyster supper was provided by the young men and pastry by the ladies. The night was passed in a sociable manner and all returned home much pleased at their reception.

Mr. John T. Carr of the Ogden Farm was visited on Thursday evening by a few friends from Newport, who were anxious to learn the art of whist playing, as played by the champion of the East Side. They found the booby and returned to the City, after enjoying a social evening and clam chowder.

As per notice in last weeks' Mercury the Rev. Edgar F. Clarke of the Thames street M. E. church on Thursday and Friday evenings delivered two instructive as well as interesting lectures at the four corners for the benefit of the Centenary Library Association. attendance present both evenings, and all were much pleased. The receipts of these two lectures will add a good sum to the association which will liquidate the debts incurred and place some additional reading on the shelves.

PORTSMOUTH.

The regular meeting of the Court of Probate and Town Council was held in the council room, in the Town Hall on Monday, 8th inst.; full board in attendance and transacted the following business:

Court of Probate.—The first and final account of Diana G. Watson, executrix of the last will and testament of Mary Ann Cross, deceased, was allowed and ordered recorded.

The final account of Robinson P. Barker, administrator on the estate of Lucinda Albro, deceased, was examined, allowed and ordered recorded.

An inventory of the personal estate of Mary G. Hicks, deceased, was presented, received and ordered recorded.

The final account of Edward F. Dyer, administrator on the estate of Ellen Munroe, deceased, was received, allowed and ordered recorded.

Fannie Southwick's petition, representing that her husband had been of unsound mind for more than twelve months, was granted, and she was authorized to convey real estate without his signature.

The first and final account of Joseph E. Wilbar, administrator on the estate of Samuel L. Crocker, deceased, was examined, allowed and ordered recorded.

George R. Hicks, executor of the last will and testament of Mary G. Hicks, was authorized to erect a monument at the grave of said Mary G. Hicks.

John L. Borden was appointed administrator *de bonis non* with will annexed, on the estate of Sarah Borden, deceased, giving bond in the sum of $2000, with Mahala Borden and William B. Mott as sureties.

Philip B. Chase, Edward F. Dyer and William B. Mott appraisers of said estate. An inventory of said estate was presented, received, allowed and ordered recorded.

In Town Council.—Action on the petition of the administrators on the estate of Isaac Borden, deceased, for the abatement of taxes against said estate, was continued to the second Monday in March next.

The following bills against the town were ordered paid by the Town Treasurer: David Buffum, for repairs on Ferry Neck road, $18.40; Overseers of the Poor, for temporary assistance rendered to, Richmond W. Dennis, $8; Alexander G. Barker, $6; Ruth Barker, $8; Royal Davol, $5; Mary Ann Hibbs, $5; Benjamin Macomber, $19.50; same for expenses of taking Ida May Macomber and Daniel Church Munroe, two minor children, from Town Asylum to State Home and School for Children, and for removing family from Fall River to the Town Asylum, $6.55; Surveyors of the following Highway districts for shoveling snow: Dist. No. 12, $12; Dist. No. 4, $12.70; Dist. No. 14, $24.40; Abner B. Cory for fence wire, staples and nails, $6.80; Philip B. Chase and Edward F. Dyer, for assessing registry taxes, $2; J. D. Munroe for printing blanks for dog licenses and town orders, $3.25; Council fees, $2.50.

George R. Hicks and Edward P. Sisson were drawn as grand, and James Moses Sisson, William J. Croucher, Coomer A. Easterbrooks and James Manning Sisson as petit jurors to attend the March term of the Supreme Court in and for the county of Newport.

The heavy rain of last week caused a great amount of damage to the highways; said damages will require the expense of several hundreds of dollars. Glen road was so badly washed that it had to be closed against public travel.

Owing to the great amount of damage to the highways, a special session of the Council was convened last Saturday, and the supervisors were authorized to make the needed repairs caused by the late rain, and present their bills for allowance.

The marauders upon Mr. Josiah C. Gifford's hennery are not yet all captured. This week he caught in his trap a skunk, and the tracks of another mink have been seen. We earnestly hope Mr. Gifford may succeed in capturing them all without further loss of poultry.

The dam at Mrs. Julia Ward Howe's summer residence was washed away by the storm of last week.

The winter term of the public schools closed last night. Spring term commences next week.

TIVERTON.

Resignation Not Accepted—A meeting of the church and congregation of the Central Baptist church was held Sunday afternoon after the usual religious services, to take action upon the resignation of the Rev. P. G. Wightman. Mr. George F. Nickerson was chosen moderator of the meeting and Mrs. Richard J. Barker, clerk pro tem. A motion was made and seconded that the resignation of Mr. Wightman be accepted and a hand vote was called for; after the affirmative vote was counted the negative vote was called for, the majority not voting either way, the result standing three for the acceptance of the resignation to eight for the non-acceptance. A motion was made and carried that the meeting be adjourned sine die.

Almost a Century—Mrs. Almy Manchester relict of the late Wanton Manchester, died very suddenly Saturday morning at the advanced age of 98 years and six months. She was probably the oldest person in the town. For several years she has been almost an invalid, and has been cared for by her daughters. Mrs. Manchester leaves five daughters: Mrs. Elizabeth Seabury Mrs. Emily Seabury, and Misses Harriet, Susan and Mary Manchester.

A teachers meeting will be held on Friday next, at 1:30 p. m., at the Bridgeport school-house, in District No 3.

There was not a quorum at the Town Council meeting Monday afternoon, consequently all business will be deferred to the regular monthly meeting, which will take place Monday, March 1.

Following is the last term's school report in District No 9 (Manchester) as submitted to the school committee: Walter C. Gray, Trustee; Christopher Manchester, Treasurer; Isaac Lake, Clerk; Geneva Cook, teacher: length of school term in days, 50; number of holidays allowed, 2; whole number of boys registered, 11; whole number of girls registered, 9; number of new pupils this term, girls, 2; total number of days attendance, 778; total number of days absence, 60; average number belonging 13; average daily attendance, 17; percentage of attendance, 93; number of daily class recitations in school, 80; number of visits made by the school committee, 2.

Jesse C. Wickersham and wife, who were murdered by their Chinese cook at Cloverdale, Cal., a few days ago, were well known in Fall River. The murdered man was a nephew of I. G. Wickersham, and Mrs. Wickersham, who was murdered, was a sister of Mrs. I. G. Wickersham, and formerly resided in Fall River. Her name before marriage was Sarah Picket.

Pain from indigestion, dyspepsia, and too hearty eating is relieved at once by taking one of Carter's Little Liver Pills immediately after dinner. Don't forget this.

A. C. Landers' Column.

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DEPOT,

167

Thames Street,

COVELL'S BLOCK.

A. C. LANDERS

is now opening a large assortment of Fine Lamps with all the leading Burners and Shades.

A General Supply of Hand Lamps, Hall and Entry Lamps and Lanterns, German and American Student Lamps, and Candle Sticks of all descriptions.

A. C. LANDERS.

New Advertisements.

THE

Season Ticket

And all other Prizes of the

GRAND AQUIDNECK FAIR

To be drawn this

Saturday Evening

—AT THE—

OPERA HOUSE.

The Committee having secured the Opera House for Saturday, announce the above fact that the fair will continue one more day.

Another Afternoon for the Children.

Saturday, Feb. 20,

FROM 2 to 5 P. M.

Music by the Newport Band and other attractions.

Children Tickets 10 cts.

The voting for the popular

Letter Carrier

Will close at 9 o'clock, P. M.

And the popular

Fireman of the Fire Dep't,

AT 9.15. P. M.

The Gold Badges of the popular

Base Ball Nine

Will close at 9.30. P. M.

—THE—

AUCTION

IMMEDIATELY AFTER,

With the drawing of the

Grand Prizes

AT 10.30. P. M.

A. A. BARKER,

DEALER IN

GROCERIES, GRAIN, HAY, GRASS SEEDS, &c.,

162 and 164 BROADWAY,

Is the only authorized agent in this city for the

STOCKBRIDGE

—AND—

BUFFALO

FERTILIZERS.

The above fertilizers take the lead, and are well known to all the Farmers and Gardeners. I am now ready to take orders, and to vite all to call and get circulars. I also shall have in a few days about 1000 bushels of

Michigan Seed Oats,

which will be very handsome. Please call and look at them before purchasing, as Seed Oats as a general thing are not very good this year.

2-20-3m

St. Paul's Lodge A. F. & A. M.

A REGULAR COMMUNICATION of this Lodge will be held in St. Paul's Hall, on Monday evening, Feb. 22, 1886, at 7.30 o'clock. Members of the fraternity are cordially invited to attend.

Per Order W. M.
CHARLES B. MARSH,
Secretary.

AUCTION SALE.

WILL BE SOLD at Public Auction at the residence of the late Pardon Brown in Middletown (Brown's Lane), now occupied by Joseph F. Manchester, on **Tuesday, March 2nd (if fair if not the next fair day), at 10 o'clock A. M.**, 12 cows, 6 heifers, 1 bull, 1 yearling heifer, 125 hens, 1 flock ducks, 7 tons hay, lot of straw, 3 stacks corn fodder, 200 bushels corn on the ear, 2 ox carts, 50 bushels of oats, 2 two-horse lumber wagons, 1 mowing machine, 1 horse rake, 1 stalk cutter, 2 corn shellers, 1 grind stone, 1 ox yoke, a lot of manure, 1 light wagon, 1 top buggy, dairy utensils, 3 stoves, a lot of household utensils, &c. Conditions at time and place of sale.

JAMES ANTHONY,
Auctioneer.

THE CITY OF NEWPORT.
City Engineer and
Street Commissioner's Office,
Newport, R. I., Feb. 16, 1886.

NOTICE.

The BRIDGE over the Creek at the east end of Easton's Beach is UNSAFE and will be closed to travel until further notice.

H. A. BENTLEY,
Street Commissioner.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

THE SUBSRIBER, having been appointed by the Honorable Court of Probate, of Newport, Executor of the last will and testament of ALICE G. MASON, late of Newport, deceased, and having been qualified according to law, requests all persons having demands to present them, and those indebted to make payment to him.

JOHN J. MASON,
Executor.

Newport, February 20, 1886.

New Advertisements.

Court of Probate, City of Newport, February 15, 1886.

ON THE PETITION, in writing, of Patrick M. Sullivan and others presented this day, praying that letters of administration on the estate of

MARGARET SULLIVAN,

late of said Newport, deceased, intestate, may be granted to Lizzie Sullivan of Newport or some other suitable person:

It is ordered that the consideration of said petition be referred to Monday, the 8th day of March, 1886, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Probate Office in the City Hall, Newport, and that notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by advertisement in the *Newport Mercury*, once a week at least, for fourteen days.

ALEX. N. BARKER,
2-20 Probate Clerk.

Court of Probate, City of Newport, February 15, A. D. 1886.

ON THE PETITION, in writing of James C. Swan presented this day praying that an instrument in writing presented therewith, purporting to be the last will and testament of

MARY ANN SWAN,

late of Newport, deceased, may be proved, approved, allowed and recorded, and that letters testamentary on the estate of said deceased may be granted to him, the Executor named therein:

It is ordered that the consideration of said petition be referred to Monday, the 8th day of March, 1886, at 10 o'clock A. M., at the Probate Office in the City Hall, Newport, and that notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by advertisement in the *Newport Mercury*, once a week at least, for fourteen days.

ALEX. N. BARKER,
2-20 Probate Clerk.

Court of Probate, Middletown, R. I., February 15, A. D. 1886.

NATHANIEL GREENE, presents to this Court an instrument in writing bearing date January 20th, A. D. 1883, purporting to be the last will and testament of his mother,

ANNA M. GREENE,

late of said Middletown, deceased, with an accompanying petition in writing, praying that said instrument in writing may be proved, approved, allowed and recorded, as and for the last will and testament of said Anna M. Greene, and that Letters Testamentary on her estate may be granted to him, said petitioner, as the Executor of said will.

It is ordered that the consideration of said petition be referred to a Court of Probate, to be held at the Town Hall in said Middletown, on Monday, the fifteenth day of March next, A. D. 1886, at ten o'clock A. M., and that notice thereof be published for fourteen days once a week at least in the *Newport Mercury*

ALBERT L. CHASE,
2-20. Probate Clerk.

Court of Probate, Middletown, R. I., February, 15, A. D. 1886.

NATHANIEL PECKHAM, Guardian of the person and estate of

HOSEA PECKHAM,

a person of full age, presents to this Court his fourth account with the estate of said Hosea, for examination and allowance.

It is ordered that the consideration of said account be referred to a Court of Probate to be held at the Town Hall in said Middletown, on Monday, the fifteenth day of March next A. D. 1886, at ten o'clock A. M., and that notice thereof be published for fourteen days, once a week at least, in the *Newport Mercury*.

ALBERT L. CHASE,
2-20 Probate Clerk.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.

WE, THE SUBSCRIBERS, appointed by the Honorable the Court of Probate of the city of Newport, in Rhode Island, Commissioners to receive and examine the claims of the several creditors against the estate of GIDEON ANTHONY, late of Newport, deceased, represented insolvent, do hereby give notice that the time for presenting said claims has been extended by said Court to the 15th day of March, A. D. 1886, and that we will meet at the store of Lewis L. Simmons, 41 Spring street in said Newport on the said 15th day of March at 3 o'clock P. M., to attend the said creditors for the receiving of their claims.

WILLIAM ALLAN,
JOHN J. PECKHAM,
BENJAMIN F. DOWNING, } Comm'rs.
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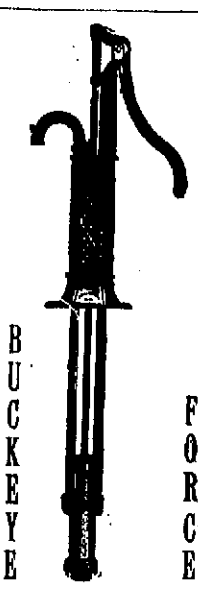

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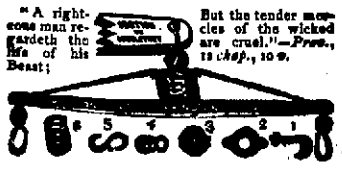

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